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THE RAVE MASTER CREW

HARU GLORY

A small-town boy turned savior of the world. As the **Rave Master** (the only one capable of using the holy weapon RAVE), Haru set forth to find the missing Rave Stones and defeat Demon Card. He fights with the **Ten Powers Sword**, a weapon that takes on different forms at his command.

ELIE

The girl without memories. Elie joined Haru on his quest when he promised to help her find out about her past. She's cute, spunky and loves gambling and shopping in equal measures. Locked inside of her is the power of **Etherion**.

PLUE

The **Rave Bearer**, Plue is the faithful companion to the Rave Master. In addition to being Haru's guide, Plue also has powers of his own. When he's not getting Haru into or out of trouble, Plue can be found enjoying a sucker, his favorite treat.

MUSICA

A **Silverclaimer** (an alchemist who can shape silver at will) and a former street punk who made good. He joined Haru for the adventure, but now that Demon Card is defeated, does he have any reason to stick around?

LET & JULIA

Members of the Dragon Race. Let was formerly a member of Demon Card's Five Palace Guardians. He was so impressed by Haru's fighting skills and pureness of heart that he made a truce with the Rave Master. Julia was trapped in dragon form for years, but Let was able to free her and she joined the team.

BELNIKA

As a young girl, she was experimented on in an attempt to artificially access Etherion. Hardner fooled her into fighting for evil until Haru exposed the truth and she joined his side.

GRIFFON KATO (GRIFF)

Griff is a loyal friend, even if he is a bit of a coward. His rubbery body can stretch and change shape as needed. Griff's two greatest pleasures in life are mapmaking and peeping on Elie.

RUBY

A penguin-type sentinoid, Ruby loves rare and unusual items. After Haru saved him from Pumpkin Doryu's gang, Ruby agreed to sponsor Haru's team in their search for the ultimate rare treasures: the Rave Stones!

SHIBA

The first Rave Master, before Haru. 50 years ago he was an unparalleled fighter known as the Sword Saint, but now he's a white-haired old man.

RECENTLY...

After Haru and the gang finally defeated Hardner's quest to summon the monster **Endless**, the **King of Oblivion**, they realized that they weren't out of the woods yet! Hardner was going to repent his evil ways, but **Lucia Raregroove** suddenly appeared and stabbed Hardner in order to steal his **Mother Dark Bring**. Now Lucia lacks only one of the Mother Dark Brings—but Haru is on the trail of the final **Rave Stone**...

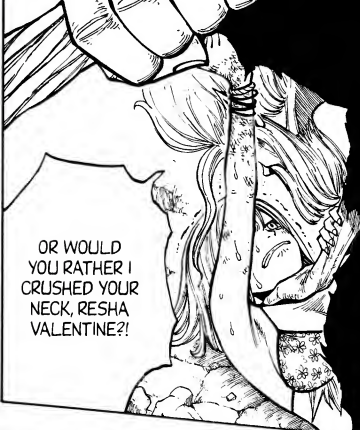




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RAVE:263  THE POWER TO UNITE ALL



OR WOULD
YOU RATHER I
CRUSHED YOUR
NECK, RESHA
VALENTINE?!

DON'T HOLD
BACK, YOU
SNIVELING
LITTLE WITCH.
RELEASE THE
POWER OF
ETHERION.



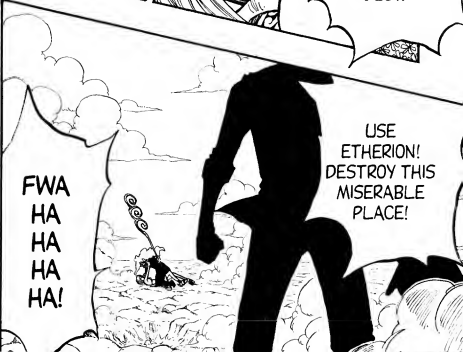
I CAN
IMAGINE
NOTHING
MORE DELICI-
OUS!



OF COURSE,
YOUR POWERS
WILL ALSO
TURN THIS
WORLD TO
DUST.



FWA
HA
HA
HA
HA!



USE
ETHERION!
DESTROY THIS
MISERABLE
PLACE!



I'LL KILL YOU
IF YOU RESIST!
I DESPISE YOU,
RESHA!



WHAT
THE
HELL
ARE
YOU...?

YOU...



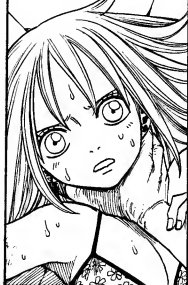
BUT YOU,
MALAKIA, AND
SHIBA STOPPED
IT WITH YOUR
MEDDLING.

...THIS PARALLEL
WORLD SHOULD
HAVE BEEN
ANNIHILATED BY
OVERDRIVE.

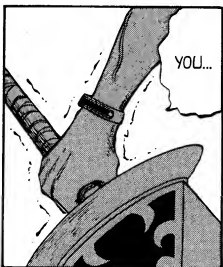
FIFTY
YEARS
AGO...



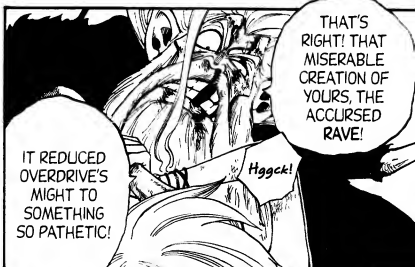
THAT
SINGLE
BLOW...



IF NOT FOR THAT,
THIS WORLD WOULD
HAVE BEEN RIGHTLY
DESTROYED!



YOU...



IT REDUCED
OVERDRIVE'S
MIGHT TO
SOMETHING
SO PATHETIC!

Hggck!

THAT'S
RIGHT! THAT
MISERABLE
CREATION OF
YOURS, THE
ACCURSED
RAVE!



THE OVER-
DRIVE WAS
REPULSIVELY,
PATHETICALLY
WEAK!

A MEASLY
TWO
MILLION!

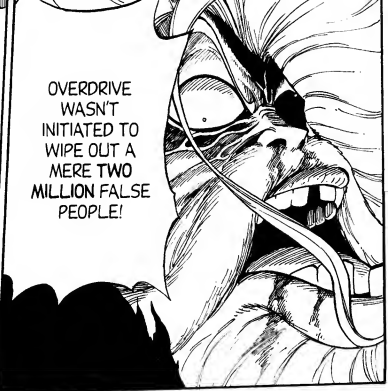
...MERE
BUILDINGS
VANISHED,
AND ONLY
TWO
MILLION
PEOPLE
DIED!

ON THIS
DISGUS-
TING SPIT
OF LAND...

BE-
HOLD!



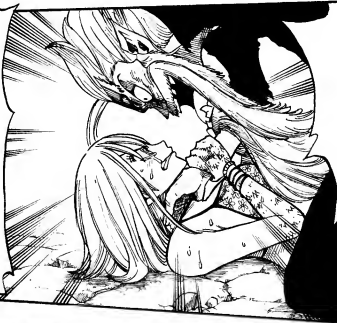
D-DON'T TALK LIKE
THAT! DON'T CALL
THEM FAKE--THOSE
WERE REAL LIVES
YOU ENDED!



OVERDRIVE
WASN'T
INITIATED TO
WIPE OUT A
MERE TWO
MILLION FALSE
PEOPLE!



FWA
HA
HA
HA
HA!



HA! "REAL LIVES"?
YOU WOULD VALUE
SOMETHING SO EASY
TO EXTINGUISH?!



YOU DON'T
YET KNOW?



...ARE
YOU...?

WHAT
THE
HELL....

I DIDN'T ASK
WHO, YOU CRAZY
OLD BAT!

I AM SHAKUMA
RAREGROOVE--LUCIA'S
GRANDFATHER.

I ASKED *WHAT*!
'CAUSE THAT AIN'T
HUMAN BLOOD
RUNNING THROUGH
YOUR VEINS!

HE WHO WAS
ONCE KING
AMONG KINGS!



MY VEINS RUN
WITH THE PURE
BLOOD OF A
CONQUEROR!

SHUT
UP, YOU
FREAK!



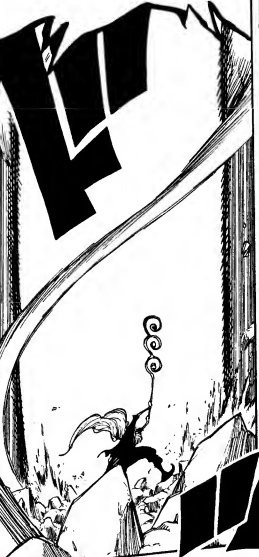
WAS IT
YOU?!

KING OF
RAREGROOVE?

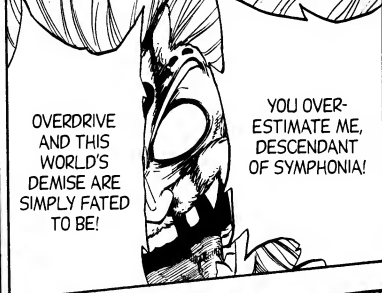
SHAKUMA...
RARE-
GROOVE?

DID YOU
START
THIS
WAR?!



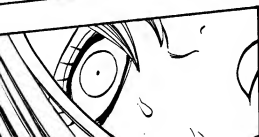


AND THIS WAR
IS NOTHING BUT
A GAME PRIOR
TO OBLIVION!

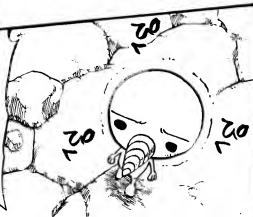


OVERDRIVE
AND THIS
WORLD'S
DEMISE ARE
SIMPLY FATED
TO BE!

YOU OVER-
ESTIMATE ME,
DESCENDANT
OF SYMPHONIA!



IT NEEDS
ONLY TO
DISAPPEAR
FROM
EXISTENCE.





...BUT A
GAME?!

NOTH-
ING...

I KNOW
HOW MANY
PRECIOUS
THINGS YOU
DESTROYED!

I SAW IT
MYSELF!

DO YOU
KNOW HOW
MUCH
BLOOD
AND
TEARS
HAVE
BEEN
LOST TO
ALL
THIS?!

I FELT
IT MY-
SELF!

YOUR
STRUGGLING
IS FUTILE!
THIS WORLD IS
ALREADY FATED
TO DISAPPEAR.

I WON'T
LET YOU
TAKE
ANYTHING
ELSE!

DO YOU
HEAR ME?!

I?
NO.

I DID
NOTHING. IT
IS ALL THE
WILL OF
ENDLESS.



AND YOU
WISH TO
CHALLENGE
A GOD?!

YOUR IDEALS
SURPASS YOU,
BOY. YOU CAN'T
EVEN HURT AN
OLD MAN!



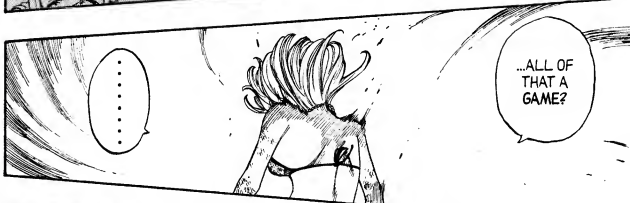
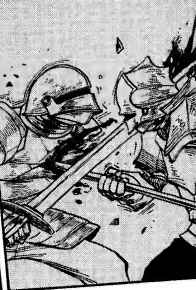
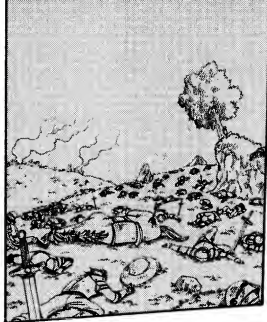
BUT
WHY,
YOU
DIRTY
BAS-
TARD?!

SCREW
YOU
ALL--
I'M
GONNA
STOP
IT!



'CAUSE I'M
NOT FIGHTING
ALONE.

GOD OR NOT,
BRING IT ON,
PSYCHO.





Y A A A A A A A A A A H !



THIS IS
WHAT I
POSSESSED!

YES!
YES!

WH-
WHAT
TREMEN-
DOLUS
MAGIC!



A A A A A A H !

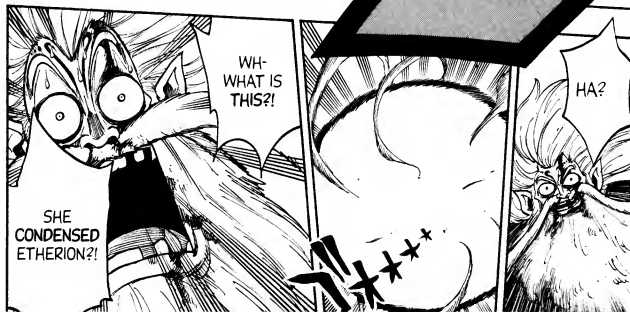
THIS IS WHAT
I WANTED!
NOW DESTROY
THIS CURSED
WORLD!

FWA HA
HA HA!
EXCELLENT,
RESHA!



HA
HA
HA
HA!

Y
A
A
A
A
A
H!



WH-
WHAT IS
THIS?!

SHE
CONDENSED
ETHERION?!

HA?



HOW CAN
YOU HAVE
COMPLETE
CONTROL
WITH SUCH
ANGER?!

NOT
POSSIBLE!



SHIBA...



ETHERION.

THIS
POWER.



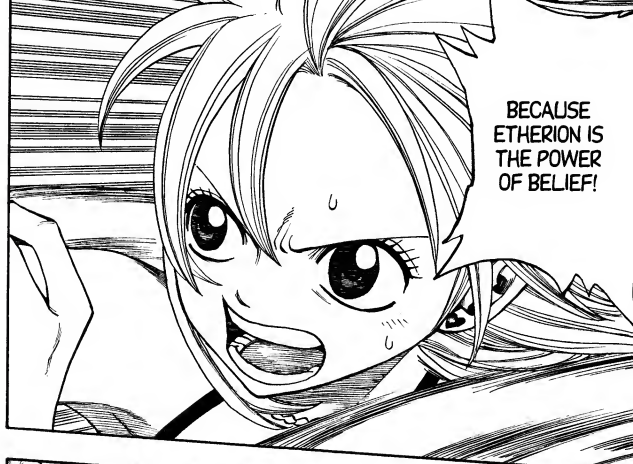
EVERYONE'S
FUTURES HAVE
BEEN LINKED
THROUGH IT.



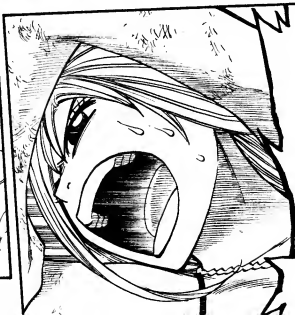
SIEG...



KAIM...



BECAUSE
ETHERION IS
THE POWER
OF BELIEF!



GO!

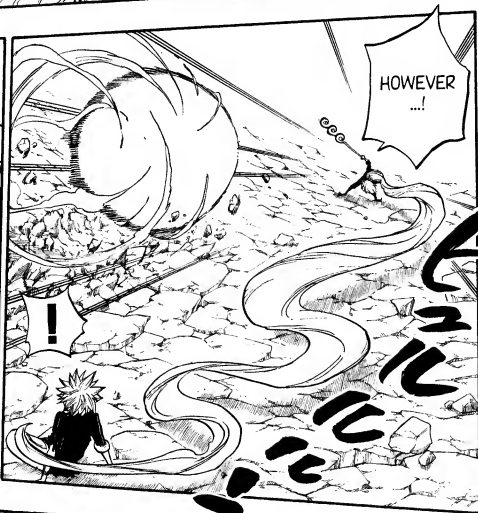


YOU'VE SURPRISED
ME, RESHA. YOU
PREVENTED THE
RELEASE OF SUCH
A GREAT MAGICAL
ENERGY THROUGH
COMPRESSION.



HUH?!

DON'T
TOUCH
ME, YOU--

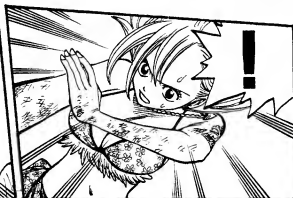


HOWEVER
...!

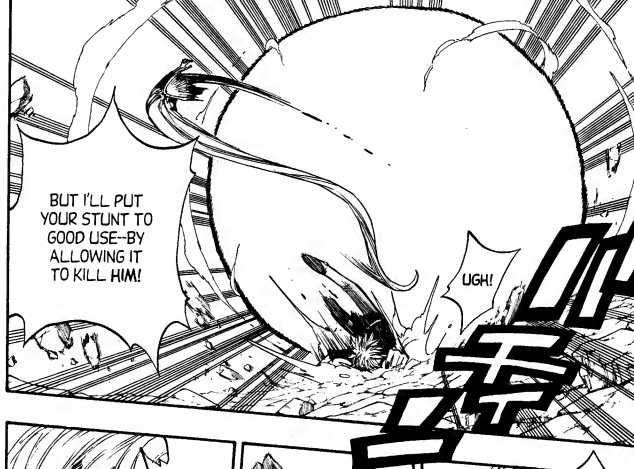


SHOW
ME TRUE
ETHERION--
THE POWER
TO DESTROY
THE WORLD!

I DIDN'T
COME FOR
PETTY
PARLOR
TRICKS!



!



BUT I'LL PUT
YOUR STUNT TO
GOOD USE--BY
ALLOWING IT
TO KILL HIM!

UGH!

巨大なエネルギーの球が爆発し、周囲を破壊する。大きな「カッ」の音の文字が画面を横切る。



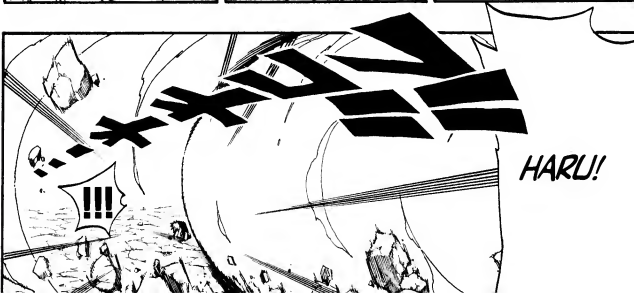
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HA
HA
HA!



ZZZZ

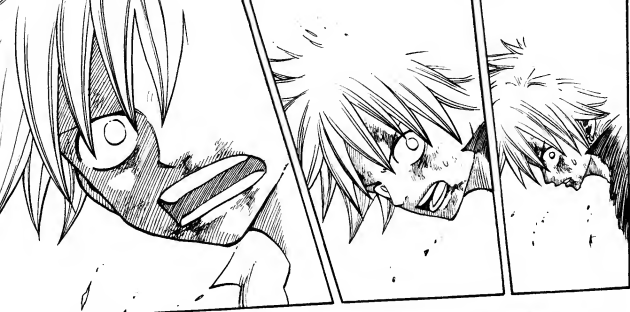


NO!



!!!

HARU!



ELIE...

REMEMBER
WHAT SIEG
SAID.





**SWORD
AND SPELL
HAVE TO
BECOME
ONE.**



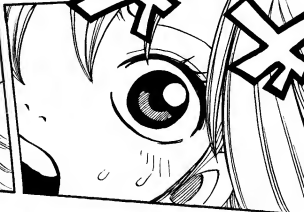
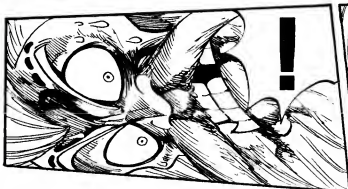
RAVE MASTER

RAVE:264  VOW OF THE SOUL





SWORD AND
SPELL HAVE
TO BECOME
ONE.



ARE YOU
WATCHING,
SIEG?



WE'RE DOING
JUST LIKE
YOU SAID.



NO! A SWORD
COULDN'T
POSSIBLY BE
INFUSED WITH
THAT MUCH
MAGIC POWER!



IT'S GONNA
BE OKAY,
ELIE.



...MORE
THAN I DO!

GAAAH!

'CAUSE NO
ONE BELIEVES
IN YOU...





GW

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A A

A A

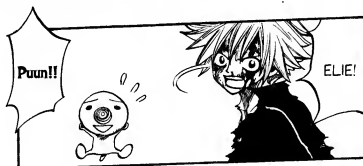
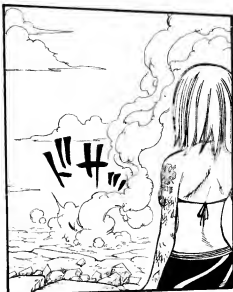
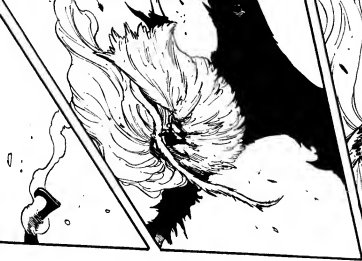
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THANK
YOU...





DON'T WORRY
ABOUT IT. WE
JUST HAD
A PRETTY
CRAZY RUN.



SORRY.
I'M JUST...
A LITTLE
TIRED.

HA
HA
HA!

THE FINAL
BATTLE
BETWEEN
SYMPHONIA
AND
RAREGROOVE
HAS BECOME
INTERESTING.

!

HU
HU
HU!

WHAT
POWER!

GHU HU
HU...
SPLENDID.

LUCIA HAS
NO NEED OF
FAMILY.

LUCIA DOESN'T
EVEN KNOW
MY IDENTITY!

FWA HA
HA! OF
COURSE
NOT!

ARE YOU THE
GUY WHO'S BEEN
PULLING LUCIA'S
STRINGS?!

HUH?

HE SHALL
BECOME A GOD
WHO WILL
DESTROY THIS
PARALLEL
WORLD LIKE
THE TRUE ONE.

OF THE TRUE
WORLD...A
WORLD WITHOUT
MANKIND.

LUCIA HAS
MORE RIGHT
THAN ANYONE
TO MAKE SUCH
A HISTORY...

FALSE EARTH,
FALSE SKY,
FALSE SUN...

IN THE TRUE
WORLD, SUCH
THINGS ARE
REAL.

THIS
WORLD HAS
NO POINT.

WHAT'S WRONG
WITH YOU
PEOPLE?!
WHAT'S THE
POINT IN THAT?!

IT'S REALITY TO
THE MILLIONS
OF US THAT
LIVE HERE!

QUIT CALLING
US FAKE! AS
FAR AS WE'RE
CONCERNED, THIS
WORLD IS REAL!

REGARDLESS,
THE ANSWER
WILL SOON
COME.

ALL OF THIS
WILL BE
SETTLED
BEFORE LONG.

WHAT?!

HOW
SELF-
CENTERED.



THE FATES OF
SYMPHONIA AND
RAREGROOVE HAVE
BEEN LINKED
FOR YEARS.



...AND OUR
SONS KILLED
EACH OTHER.

THEY DIED
TOGETHER.



I KILLED
MALAKIA...



FWA
HA
HA
HA!

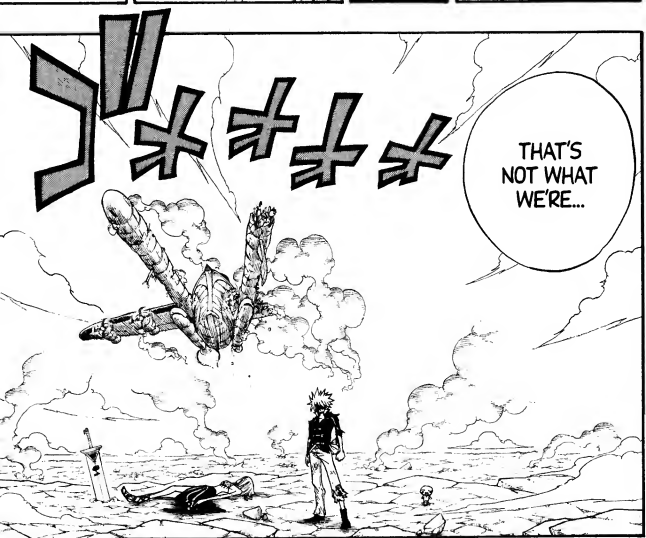


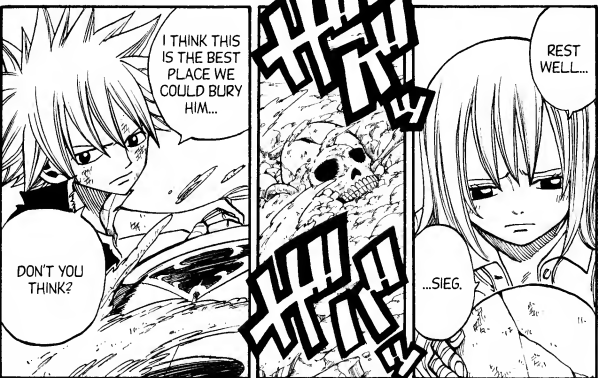
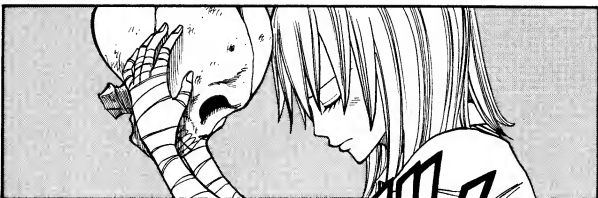
FWU
HU
HU
HU!

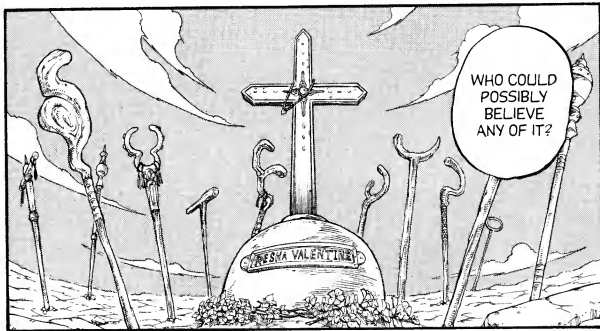
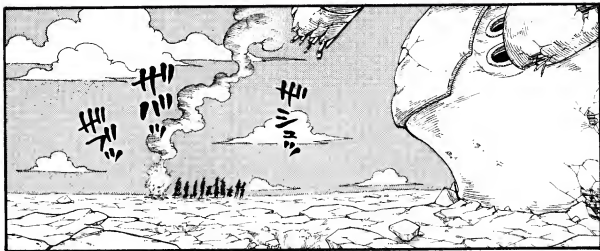


YOU AND
LUCIA ARE
NEXT.

YOU ARE
FATED TO
BATTLE...
IT'S AN
UNAVOIDABLE
FEUD OF
BLOOD.







SHAKUMA'S
TRUE
IDENTITY.

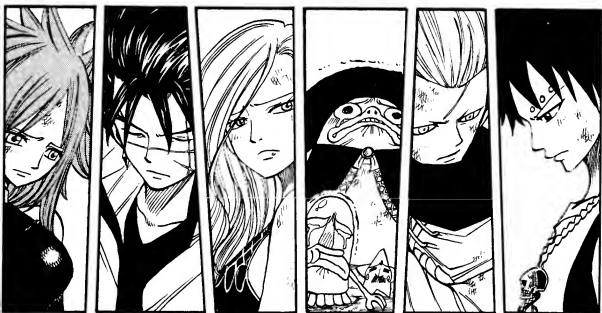
THE KING OF
SYMPHONIA'S
DEMISE.

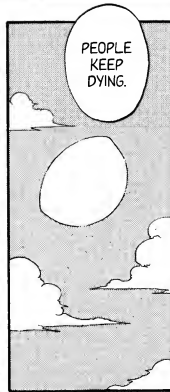
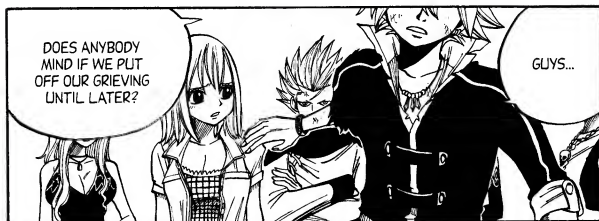
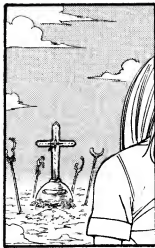
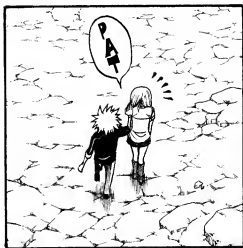
...AND
BEHIND
SIEG
HART.

THE
TRUTH
BEHIND
YOU...

...ABOUT
THE FATE
OF SIEG.

MY
PEOPLE ARE
ESPECIALLY
UPSET...







AND NOT
FOR FATE OR
WHATEVER--
BUT BECAUSE
WE CHOOSE
TO. BECAUSE
WE CAN.

THAT'S WHY
WE HAVE TO
KEEP GOING.



...ONE LAST
THING TO SIEG...

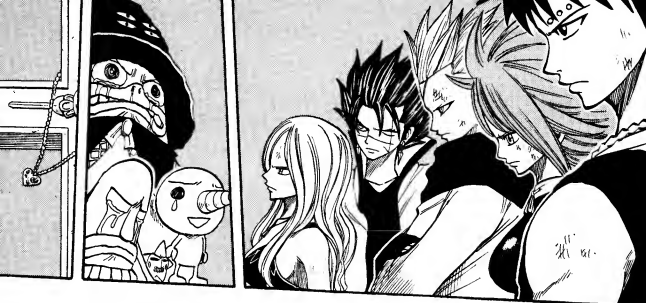
LET'S JUST
PROMISE...





NO
MATTER
WHAT
HAPPENS,
YOU ALL
HAVE TO
LIVE!

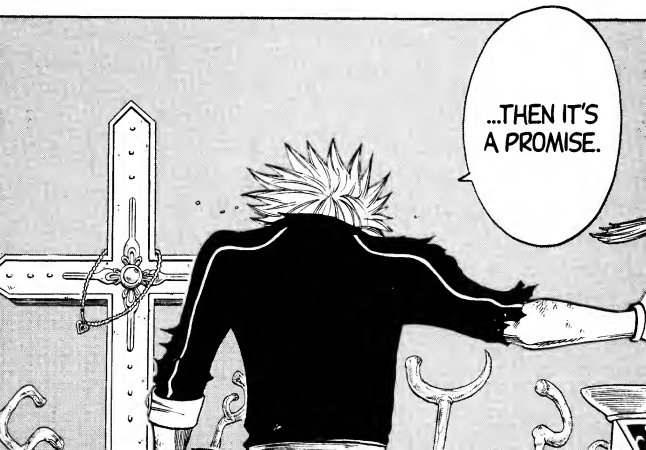
NO ONE
ELSE DIES
FROM HERE
ON OUT!



...
HARU.



I
THINK
...
...WE CAN
ALL GET
BEHIND
THAT...

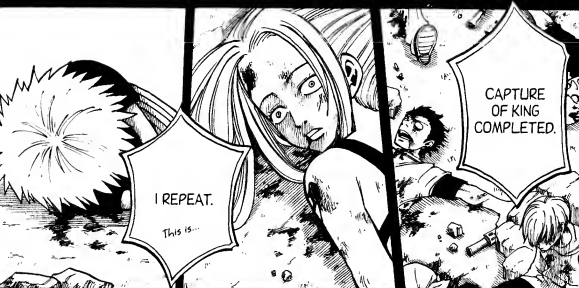


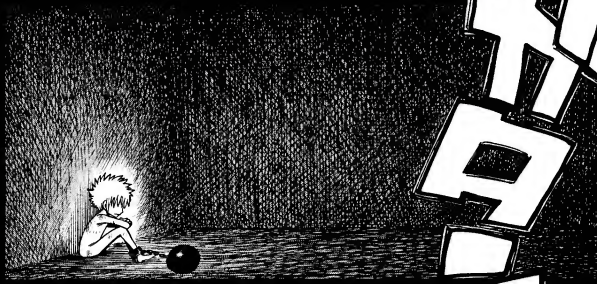
...THEN IT'S
A PROMISE.

RAW

POUR
POUR







YOU
SHOULD BE
GRATEFUL
WE LET HIM
LIVE AT ALL!

HIS
BLOODLINE IS
COMPLETELY
CURSED!

WHY...?

YES! HE'S
THE SPAWN
OF A DEMON!

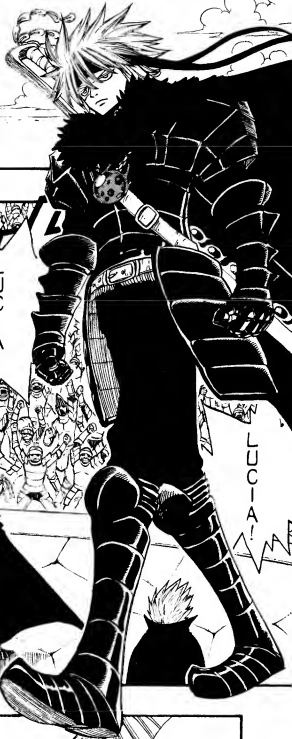
YOU REALLY
WANT TO
SHUT A
KID UP IN A
PLACE LIKE
THAT?



WHY WAS
I BORN...?

Demon
Card HQ

MASTER
LUCIA HAS
RETURNED!



AMAZING!

LUCIA!

ALL THE
DARK BRINGS
HAVE BECOME
ONE!



LUCIA!

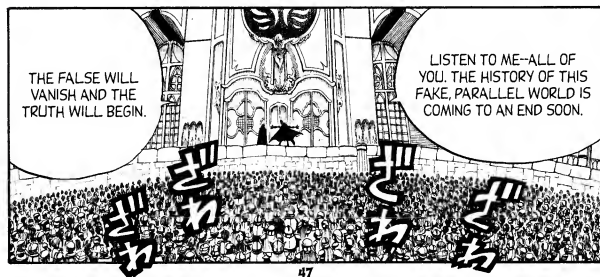
...MASTER
SHAKUMA
HAS BEEN
DEFEATED.

ACCORDING
TO BOI BOI'S
INFORMATION...



HOW CLOSE
ARE WE TO
GETTING
ELIE?

WELL...



A W A K E N .

CHILDREN
OF
ENDLESS.





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A A A A A A A A H !!

M-MY
BODY'S...
A A A A H !

GYAAAAH !

Y
A A A H !

I AM MEGIDO,
FLAME OF HELL....
HE WHO DESTROYS
THE FALSE
AND YEARNS
FOR TRUTH.

FOR THIS
PURPOSE,
I DISCARD
MY CROWN
AND SERVE
LUCIA.

MASTER
MEGIDO?!
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?!

NO ONE
CAN STOP
IT NOW.

THIS...

H
G
K !

...IS...

...OF THE
PARALLEL
WORLD.
AND YOU'RE
JUST THE
APPETIZER.

THIS IS
THE FINAL
BANQUET...

BEHOLD ITS
MAGNIFI-
CENCE!

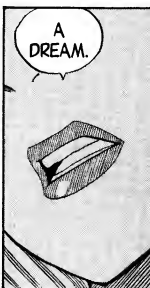
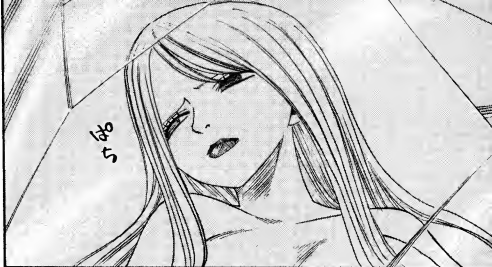
Elbot City
Auction
House

NOW FOR
TODAY'S
FINAL
COMMO-
DITY...

THE
GREATEST
SHOWPIECE
OF THE
LAST TEN
YEARS!

!!!







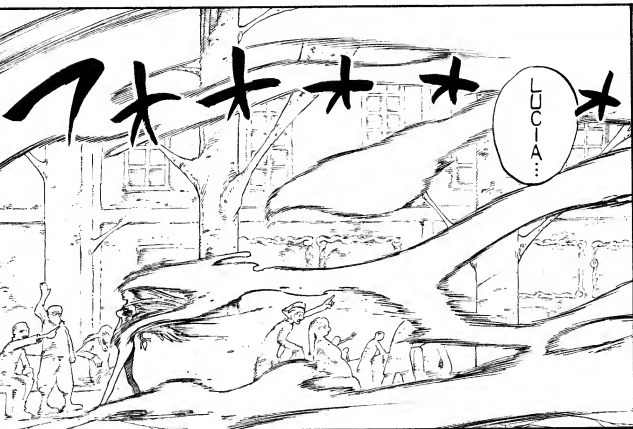
...YOU
WOULD
NOT HAVE
BEEN
FROZEN.



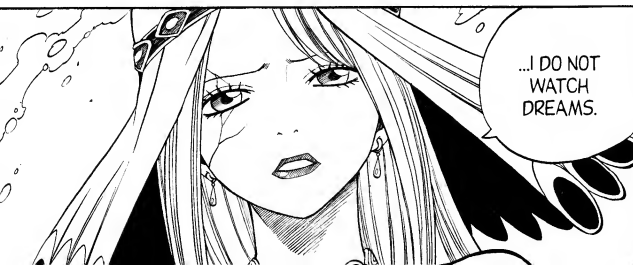
WH--?!



IF YOU
HAD NOT
WATCHED
THE
DREAM...



LUCIA...



...I DO NOT
WATCH
DREAMS.



FOR ONE
WILL ALWAYS
AWAKEN FROM
A DREAM.

**Four Great Demon Lords:
Jiero of Despair**



PROTECT
THE ROYAL
CAPITOL!

AN
UNKNOWN
ENEMY
ARMY HAS
APPEARED!

Major
North-
eastern
Power
Arumdaun



YAAAAA
AH!

HUM.

SAVE US!

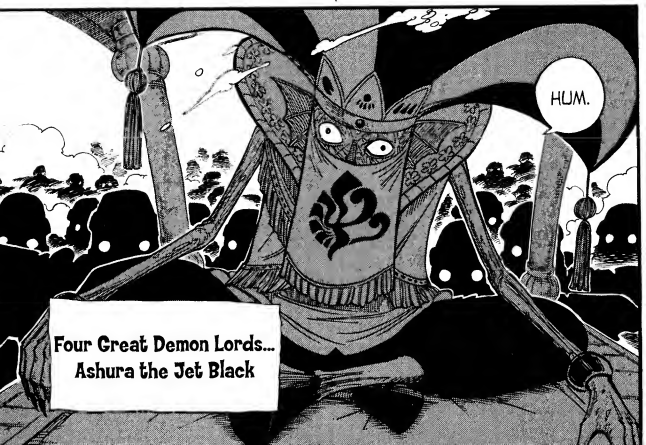


THEY'RE
NOT
EVEN
HUMAN!



RRGH!

SWORDS
WON'T
HELP US
HERE!



HUM.

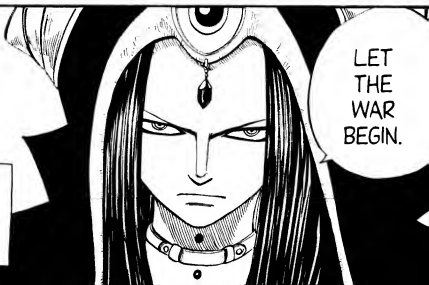
Four Great Demon Lords...
Ashura the Jet Black

**Major
Military
Power
Balania
Federation**



**Four Great
Demon Lords:
Eternal Uta**

**LET
THE
WAR
BEGIN.**







I'LL DESTROY
EVERYTHING
UNTRUE.

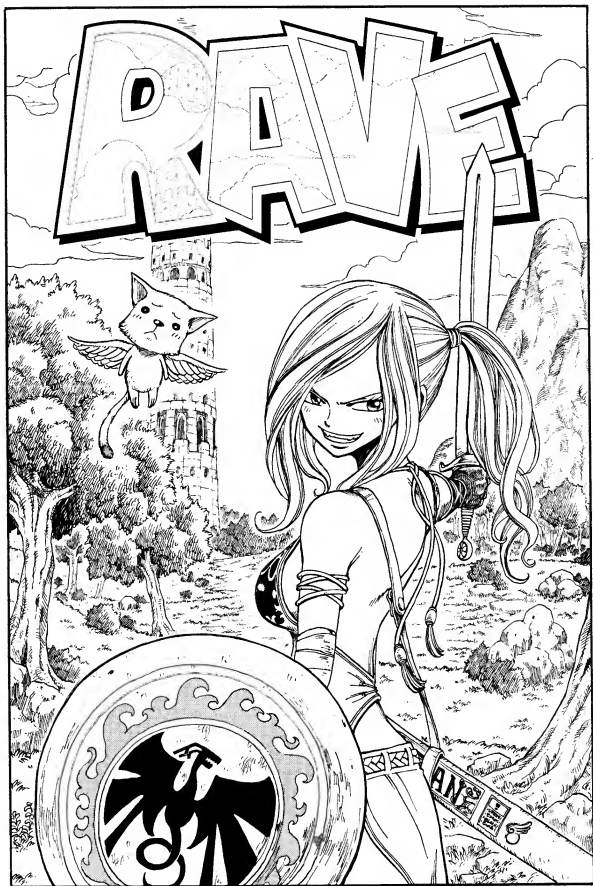
I WAS
BORN TO
DESTROY
THIS
WORLD.

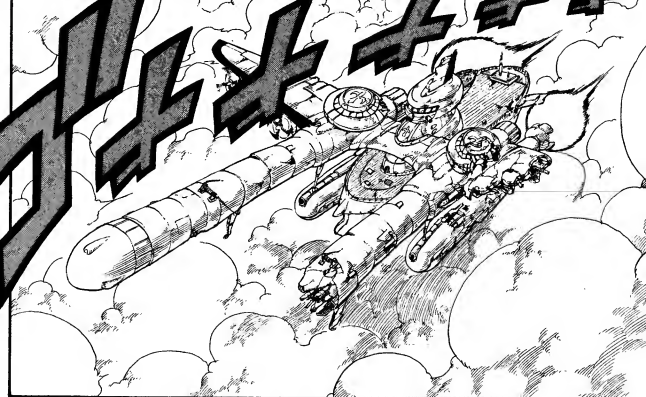


THIS IS THE
BEACON FOR
THE END OF
THE WORLD.

COME
TO ME,
HARU
GLORY!

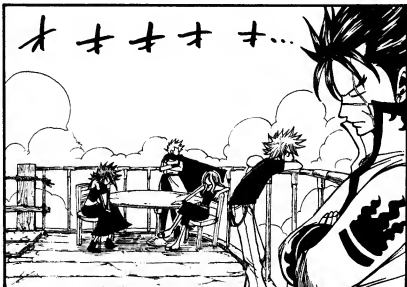
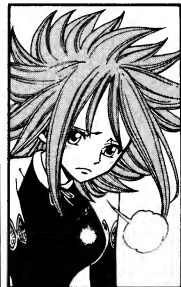






I'M NOT
CERTAIN--THEY
SAID IT HAD TO
GO TO A CITY
FOR REPAIRS.

SO WHERE'S
THIS SHIP
GOING,
ANYWAY?





HOW
PAINFULLY
SLOW ON
THE UPTAKE.

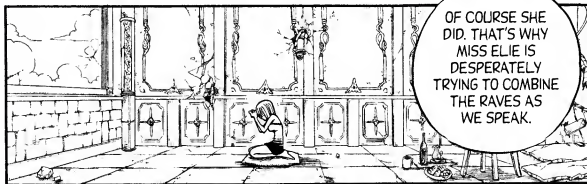
DOES THAT
MEAN ELIE
MADE RAVE,
POYO?

HEY...ABOUT
ELIE BEING
RESHA, POYO.



IT CAN'T
BE
HELPED.

EVERYONE'S
SO BLUE,
POYO.



OF COURSE SHE
DID. THAT'S WHY
MISS ELIE IS
DESPERATELY
TRYING TO COMBINE
THE RAVES AS
WE SPEAK.



OH, POYO.



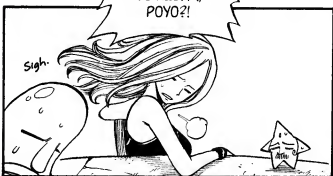
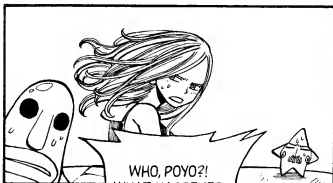
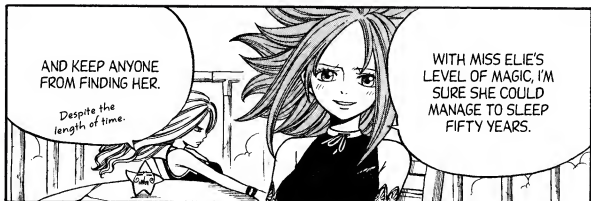
I'M SURE IT
WAS MAGIC.

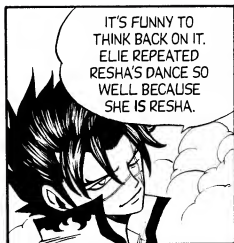
THEY SAID SHE
WAS SLEEPING
SOMEWHERE.

CAN'T SLEEP
FOR FIFTY
YEARS, POYO.

HOW'D
SHE COME
TO THE
PRESENT,
POYO?

BUT I
THOUGHT
RESHA
LIVED
FIFTY
YEARS AGO,
POYO.





IT'S FUNNY TO
THINK BACK ON IT.
ELIE REPEATED
RESHA'S DANCE SO
WELL BECAUSE
SHE IS RESHA.



YOU DON'T
NEED TO
DIGNIFY THAT
WITH AN
ANSWER.

THEY'RE
TWO
PEOPLE
IN ONE,
YOU SEE.

WELL, IF MISS
ELIE IS RESHA,
RESHA HAS TO
BE MISS ELIE.



SHE'S
REALLY
BADASS.



WHA?

WORRIED
ABOUT
ELIE?

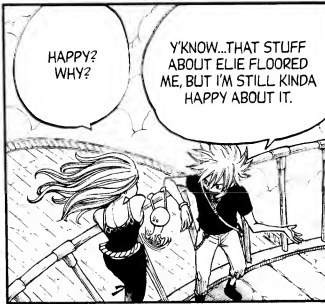
UM,
NO...

SO THE
TWO
GIRLS
FUSED,
POYO?

UM, NOT
REALLY...I'M
SURE SHE
CAN HANDLE
RAVE.



ELIE MADE A HARD
CHOICE AND WALKED
DOWN A SAD ROAD.



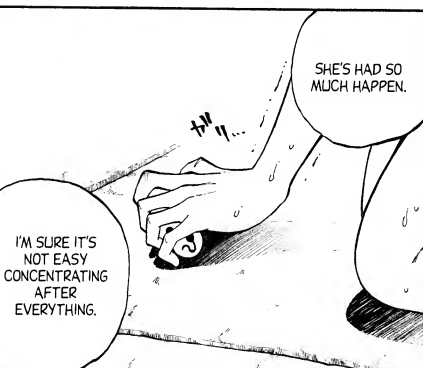
HAPPY?
WHY?

Y'KNOW...THAT STUFF
ABOUT ELIE FLOORED
ME, BUT I'M STILL KINDA
HAPPY ABOUT IT.



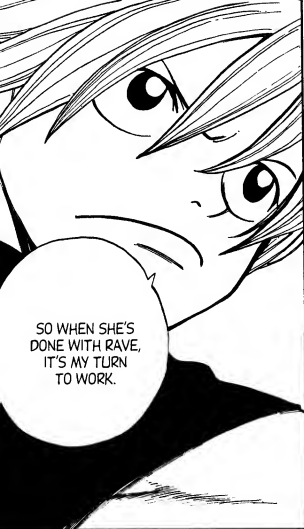
I THINK THE
REST OF US
MADE OUT
PRETTY GOOD
ON THE DEAL.

BUT WHEN HER
MEMORIES CAME
BACK, SHE STILL
REMEMBERED US.



I'M SURE IT'S
NOT EASY
CONCENTRATING
AFTER
EVERYTHING.

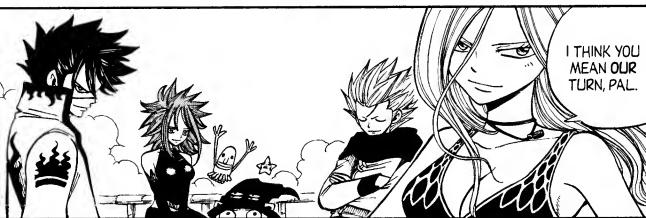




SO WHEN SHE'S
DONE WITH RAVE,
IT'S MY TURN
TO WORK.

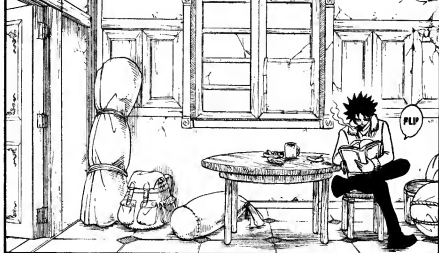


BUT SHE'S
STILL GIVING
IT EVERYTHING
SHE'S GOT.



I THINK YOU
MEAN OUR
TURN, PAL.







I'VE
GOTTA
BE!

I'M SEEING
THINGS.



NOT THAT
I'VE GOT
THE TIME!

RRGH!

...MAYBE I
CAN GET
THIS RUNE
WING TO
MOVE.

IF I
MODIFY
SOME
PARTS...





WHERE DO
YOU NEED
TO GET
SO FAST?

JUST FLY--
IT SHOULD
BE CLOSE.



WHERE MY
GRANDPA IS.

WE'RE
LOOKING
FOR PUNK
STREET.



WE DON'T
HAVE TIME!

EYES ON
THE SKY!

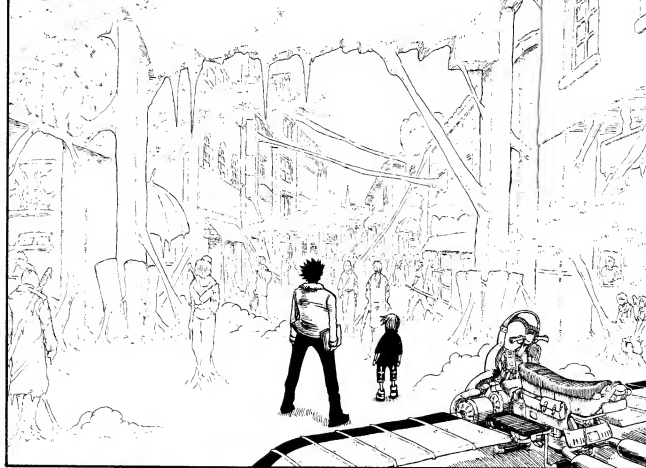
ARE YOU
SURE?!

BUT...WE
HAVE TO
TELL THE
OTHERS!

WE'RE
WHAT?!



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ICE?

WHAT...THE
HELL?





EVERYONE'S
FROZEN!

WH-WHAT
HAPPENED?



DON'T
TOUCH
THEM!

WAIT!



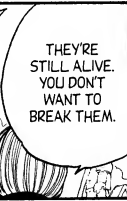
WHAT
THE HECK
HAPPENED
HERE?!



YEAH...BUT I
DON'T REALLY
KNOW HOW
TO BRING
THEM BACK.



STILL
ALIVE?
LIKE
THIS?!



THEY'RE
STILL ALIVE.
YOU DON'T
WANT TO
BREAK THEM.



M-



MR.
MUSICA!



BE
CAREFUL
NOT TO
BUMP INTO
ANYONE!



DAMMIT!

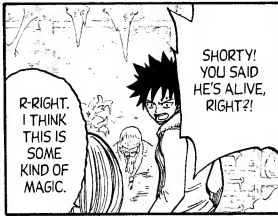




GRANDPA...



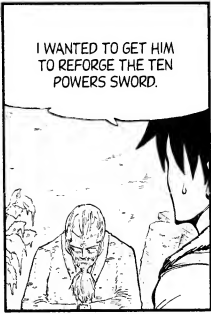
R-RIGHT.
I THINK
THIS IS
SOME
KIND OF
MAGIC.



SHORTY!
YOU SAID
HE'S ALIVE,
RIGHT?!



ACCORDING
TO THIS
BOOK...



I WANTED TO GET HIM
TO REFORGE THE TEN
POWERS SWORD.



MR. MUSICA...
DID YOU
KNOW THIS
WAS GONNA
HAPPEN?



NO--IT
WASN'T
THAT.



HUH?



I JUST CAME
HERE TO
SEE HIM.



...THE TENTH
FORM OF THE
TEN POWERS
DOESN'T EXIST.

BUT WE WEREN'T
AROUND FIFTY
YEARS AGO TO
SEE, WERE WE?!

THAT CAN'T BE
TRUE! SHIBA THE
SWORD SAINT
FOUGHT WITH
TEN SWORDS!

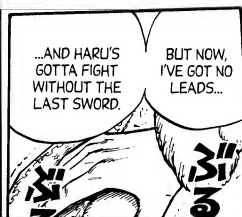
W H A T ?!

...AND HARU'S
GOTTA FIGHT
WITHOUT THE
LAST SWORD.

BUT NOW,
I'VE GOT NO
LEADS...

I DON'T
UNDERSTAND
IT, EITHER.
THAT'S WHY I
CAME HERE.

I THOUGHT
MY GRANDPA
COULD
EXPLAIN IT.

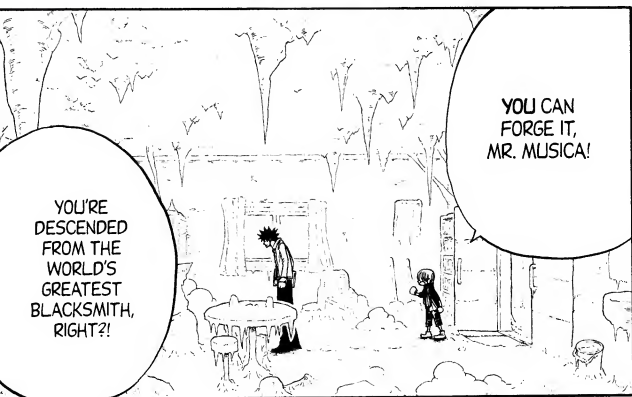




WE'RE
BONED.



MY GRANDPA'S
THE ONLY
ONE WHO CAN
FORGE TEN
POWERS.



YOU'RE
DESCENDED
FROM THE
WORLD'S
GREATEST
BLACKSMITH,
RIGHT?!

YOU CAN
FORGE IT,
MR. MUSICA!



YOU'RE
NUTS,
KID!

THERE'S A
FIRST FOR
EVERY-
THING!

DON'T BE
STUPID. I'VE
NEVER FORGED
ANY SWORD.



WASSAT?!



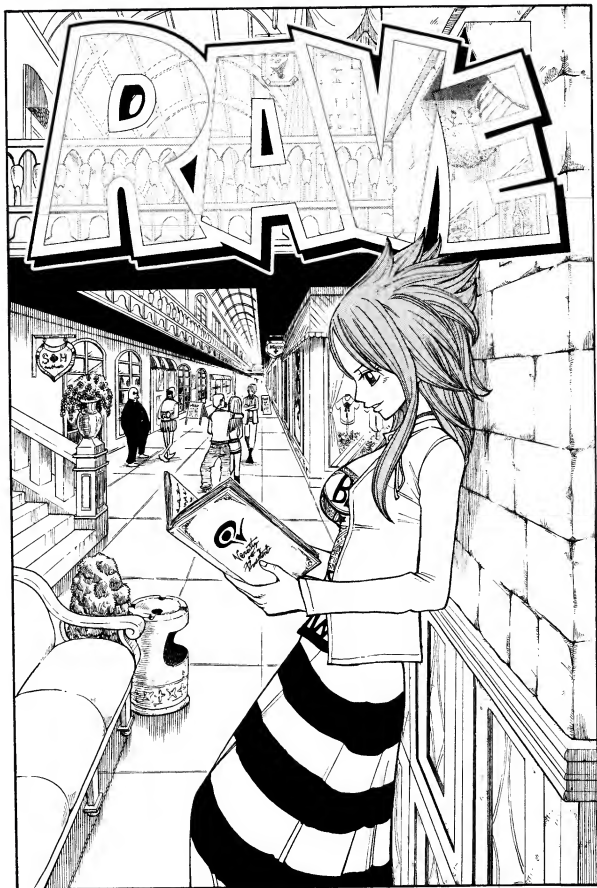
YOU'RE THE
ONLY ONE
WHO CAN GIVE
HIM THAT, SIR!

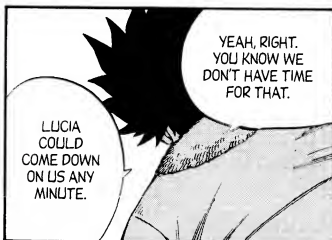
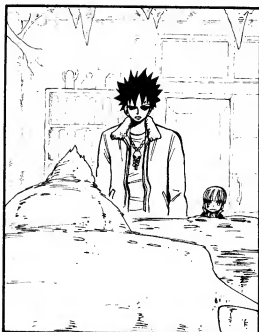
MR. HARU IS
YOUR FRIEND.
AND HE NEEDS
A SWORD!

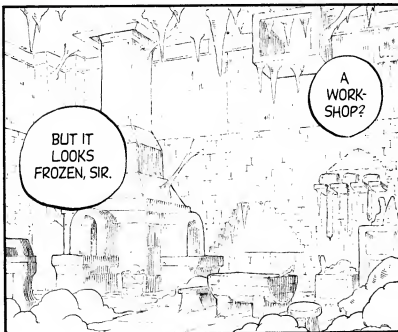
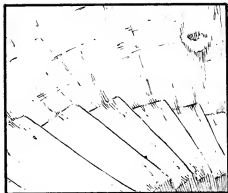


ME...?

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HE MENTIONED
THE HIDING
PLACE IN HIS
JOURNAL...

...AND IT'S
NOT FROZEN.
SWEET.

キィィィ...ニ

THIS'S THE
INGOT TEN
POWERS
WAS MADE
FROM.



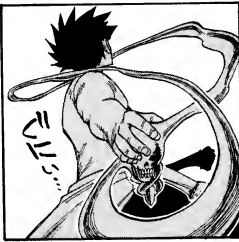
THE
LAST?!

THAT'S THE
LAST INGOT
LIKE IT IN
THE WORLD.

BUT I GUESS IT
MAKES SENSE--I
THINK IT'S SOME
KIND OF SUPER
HARD MINERAL
TREATED WITH
MAGIC.

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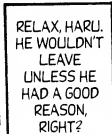
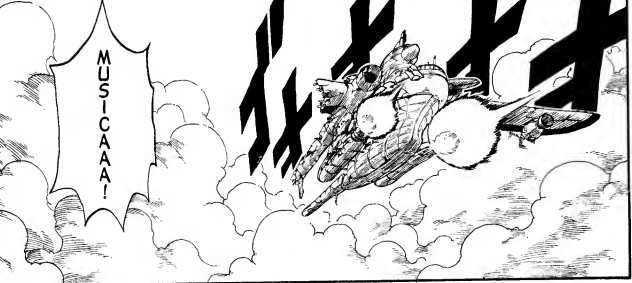


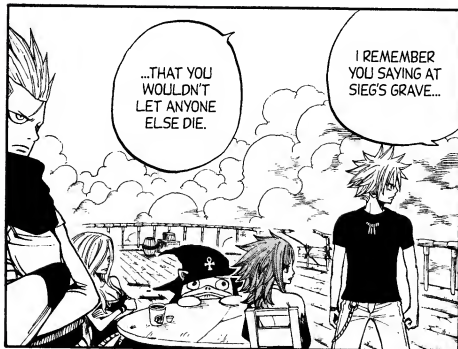


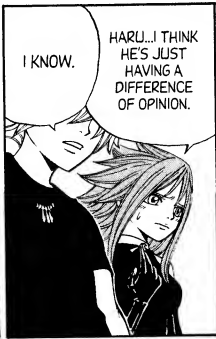


HERE
WE
GO!











THIS
METAL IS
FRICKIN'
STUB-
BORN!

IT'S
STILL
NOT HOT
ENOUGH?!

CRAP!

WHY WOULD
A MAN LIKE
THAT FORGE AN
INCOMPLETE
SWORD?

HE'S THE WORLD'S
GREATEST SMITH, AND
PEERLESS WITH SWORDS.
WE'VE EVEN HEARD OF
HIM OUT IN MILDIAN.

WHY DO YOU
THINK
MR. GALEIN
FORGED AN
INCOMPLETE
TEN POWERS?

MR.
MUSICA
...



BUT NOW I'M
EVEN MORE
CONFUSED!

HEY!

YOU'RE
RIGHT!

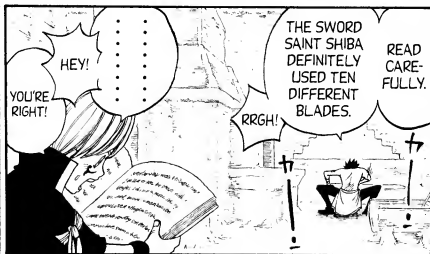
THE SWORD
SAINT SHIBA
DEFINITELY
USED TEN
DIFFERENT
BLADES.

READ
CARE-
FULLY.

RRGH!



DID THE TENTH
SWORD VANISH
OVER TIME OR
SOMETHING?





THAT MEANS SHIBA
WAS THE ONLY ONE
WHO COULD USE THE
LAST POWER HIDDEN
IN THE BLADE.

NAH. THE TEN
POWERS WAS MADE
SPECIFICALLY FOR THE
RAVE MASTER--A SWORD
FORGED FOR SHIBA,
SINCE HE WAS RAVE
MASTER BACK THEN.



WHEN HARU
TRIED TO USE IT,
ITS MAGIC TOOK
CONTROL OF HIM.

COME TO THINK OF
IT, WE GOT A CLEAR
SIGN OF THAT
WITH THE NINTH
FORM, SACRIFAR.



IT DOESN'T.
SHIBA *COULD*
USE SACRIFAR.

HARU LOST
CONTROL
BECAUSE HE
ISN'T THE
ORIGINAL
WIELDER.

WHY WOULD THE
TEN POWERS
INCLUDE A DEMON
BLADE THAT COULD
KILL ITS WIELDER?



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NOW HARU
NEEDS A TEN
POWERS MADE
FOR HARU.

BOTTOM LINE:
SHIBA GOT A TEN
POWERS MADE
FOR SHIBA.

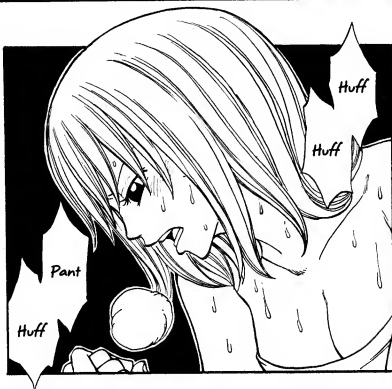
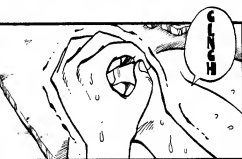
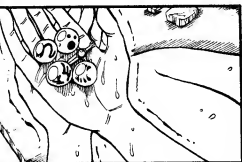
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...AND LEFT
ME THE
LAST INGOT.

THAT'S WHY
GRANDPA GAVE
ME THE BOOK...

RIGHT, YOU
OLD COOT?

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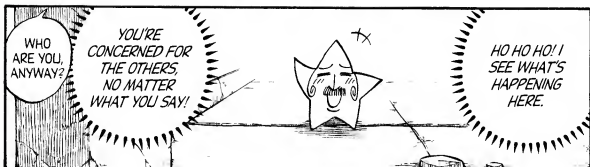




SO
DID
I.



OH! I
THOUGHT
YOU WERE
GOING TO
REST, SIR.

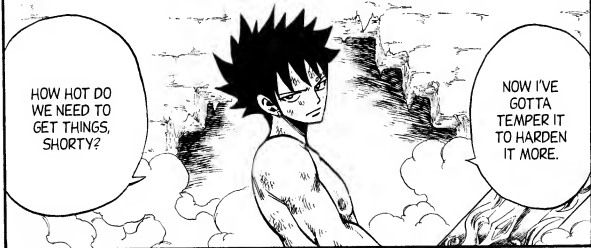


WHO
ARE YOU,
ANYWAY?

YOU'RE
CONCERNED FOR
THE OTHERS,
NO MATTER
WHAT YOU SAY!

HO HO HO! I
SEE WHAT'S
HAPPENING
HERE.

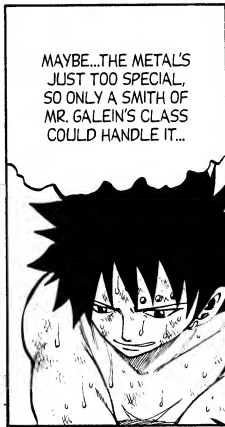
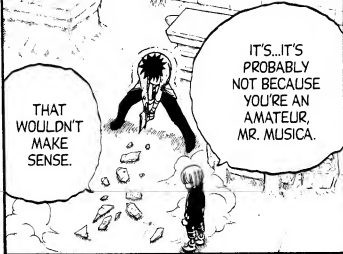








YOU'RE GOOD ENOUGH TO KEEP IT IN ONE PIECE, AT LEAST.





IT AIN'T
OVER 'TIL
IT'S OVER.

MR. MUSICA,
STOP!
THAT'S NOT--

I CAN STILL
REFORGE IT.

ジュウヤウウウ...

GAB
GAB



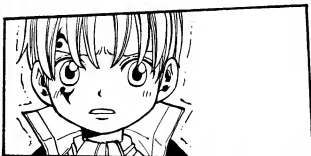
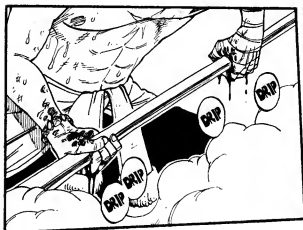
IT'LL TAKE
MORE THAN
THIS TO
MAKE ME
GIVE UP.

Spot the 10 things that are different! How many can you find?!

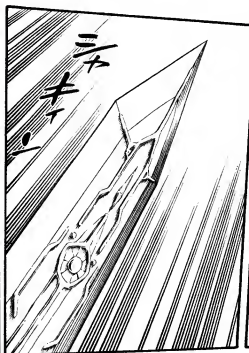


RAVE









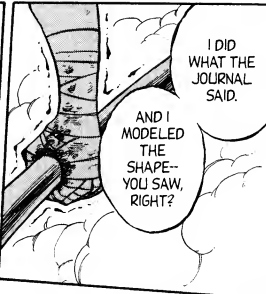
MR.
MUSICA...
I KNOW
HOW YOU
FEEL, BUT...





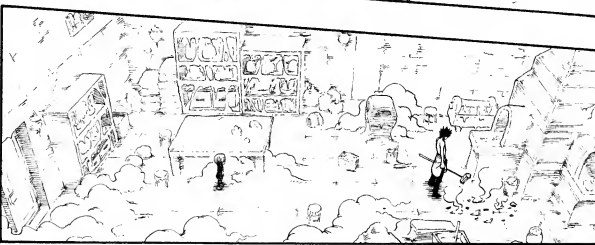


WHAT
AM I
MISSING?!



I DID
WHAT THE
JOURNAL
SAID.

AND I
MODELED
THE
SHAPE--
YOU SAW,
RIGHT?



MAYBE YOU
JUST DON'T
HAVE THE
YEARS OF--



I'M SORRY TO SAY
IT AGAIN, BUT IT IS
A SPECIAL METAL.



MAYBE
IT'S...
EXPERI-
ENCE?



I'M THE ONE
WHO'S GOTTA
HAMMER OUT
THIS SWORD!

GRANDPA
WOULDN'T'VE
GIVEN ME
THE BOOK IF
I COULDN'T
DO THIS!

IT AIN'T
THAT!



YOU'LL RUN
OUT OF PROPER
METAL IF
YOU KEEP
BREAKING YOUR
ATTEMPTED
SWORDS!

YOU
KNOW
I'M
RIGHT!

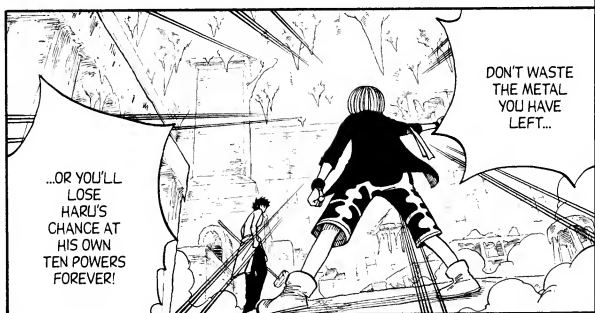


HUH?



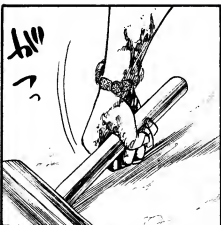
IF YOU
CAN'T DO IT,
YOU CAN'T
DO IT!

I WANT TO
AGREE WITH
YOU, BUT WE
CAN'T IGNORE
THE TRUTH!



...OR YOU'LL
LOSE
HARU'S
CHANCE AT
HIS OWN
TEN POWERS
FOREVER!

DON'T WASTE
THE METAL
YOU HAVE
LEFT...





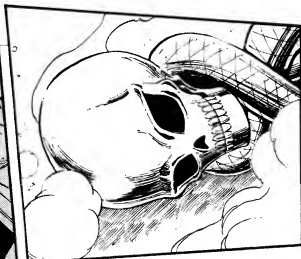
I'VE BEEN
WEARING
MYSELF RAGGED
WITHOUT
REALIZING IT.

DAMMIT...
MY BODY'S
STARTING TO
GIVE OUT.



HELP ME,
REINA.

I NEED
YOUR
STRENGTH!



...REINA?







THAT'S IT!



RATTLE

AS A SMITH,
ANYWAY.

BUT I'M
THE BEST
THERE IS AT
CONTROLLING
METAL
THROUGH
SILVER CRAFT.



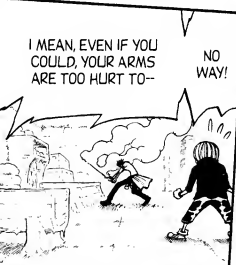
YOU'RE
A DOLL,
REINA.



MAYBE I AM
SHORT ON
EXPERIENCE,
KID.

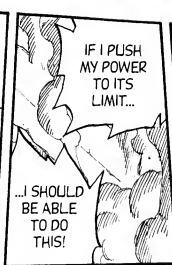


I'LL MAKE
THIS SWORD
WITH MY
POWER!



I MEAN, EVEN IF YOU
COULD, YOUR ARMS
ARE TOO HURT TO--

NO
WAY!



IF I PUSH
MY POWER
TO ITS
LIMIT...

...I SHOULD
BE ABLE
TO DO
THIS!



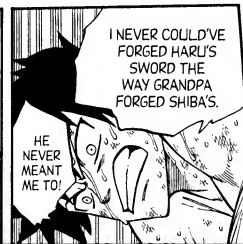
WAIT
A
MIN-
UTE!

ARE YOU
TRYING TO
RESHAPE
THAT METAL
WITH YOUR
BARE HANDS?!



DID YOU
READ THE
LAST LINE
IN THE
JOURNAL?

Journal



I NEVER COULD'VE
FORGED HARU'S
SWORD THE
WAY GRANDPA
FORGED SHIBA'S.

HE
NEVER
MEANT
ME TO!



YAAAAAAGH!

I forged this sword for Shiba.

THAT'S WHAT
FORGING THE TEN
POWER'S TENTH
SWORD MEANS!



SO SOMEONE
HAS TO PUT
HIS SOUL INTO
HARU'S SWORD!

GRANDPA PUT
HIS SOUL INTO
THE TEN POWERS
FOR SHIBA!



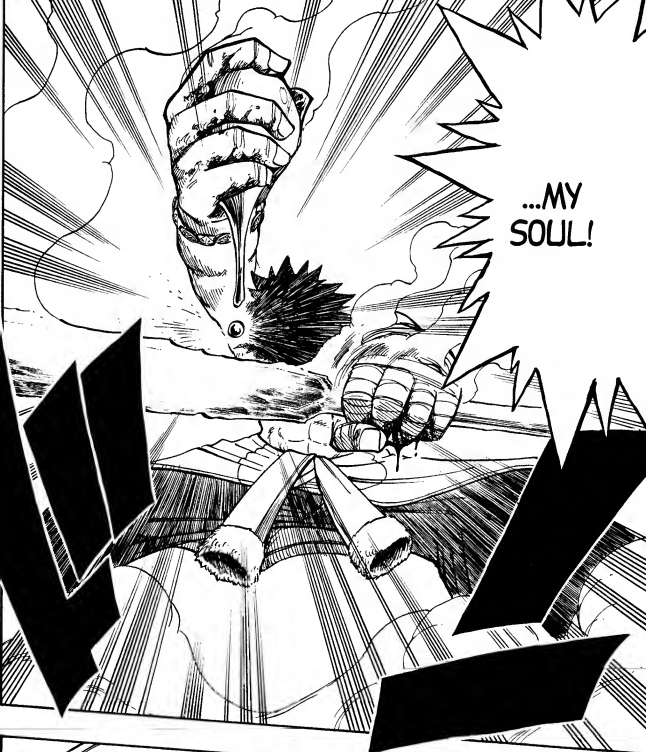
MR.
MUSICA!



GRASP



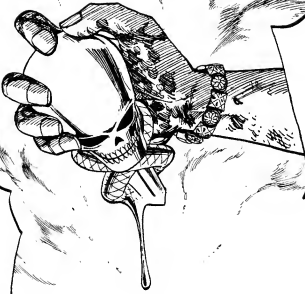
IT
NEEDS
...



...MY
SOUL!



A DROP
OF
SILVER?!

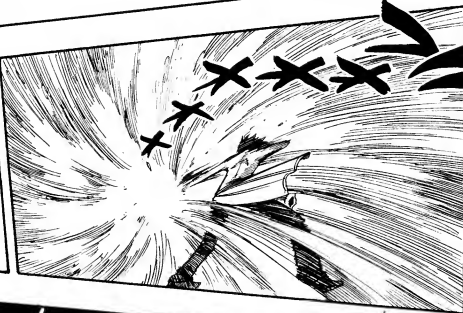
A close-up of a hand holding a skull. The hand has a patterned sleeve and a bracelet. The skull has a sword hilt protruding from its mouth. A liquid is dripping from the bottom of the skull.

THIS IS MORE
A PART OF
ME THAN MY
BLOOD IS.

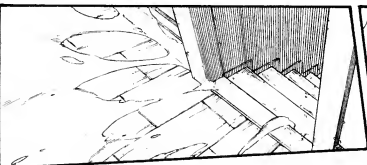
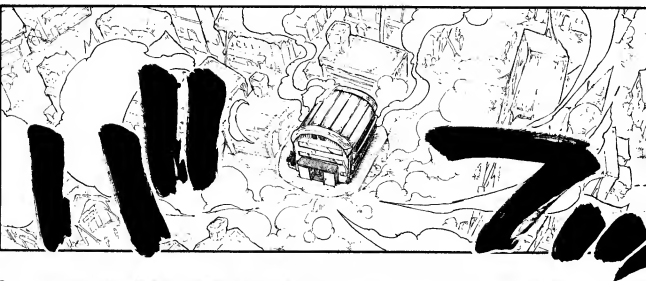
IT AIN'T
NORMAL
SILVER--IT'S
BONDED
SILVER!

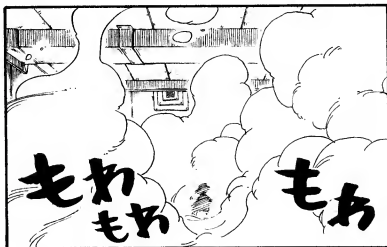
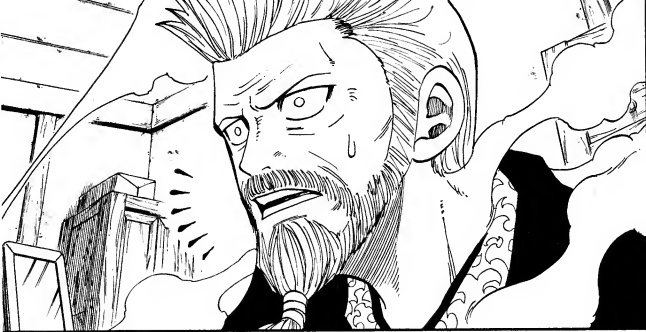
A small panel showing Luffy looking shocked with his mouth wide open.

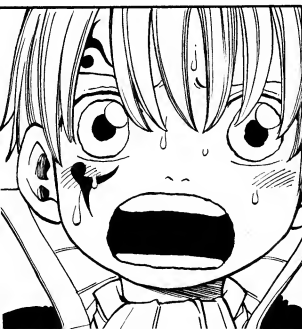
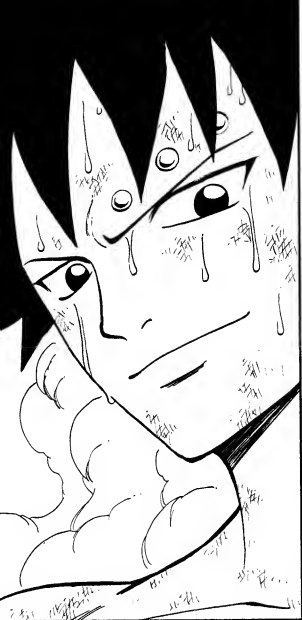
**BONDED
SILVER?!**

A large panel showing a massive explosion or impact. A sword is visible in the foreground, and several 'X' marks indicate points of impact or damage.

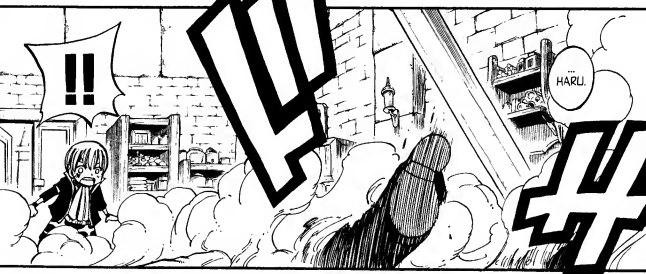
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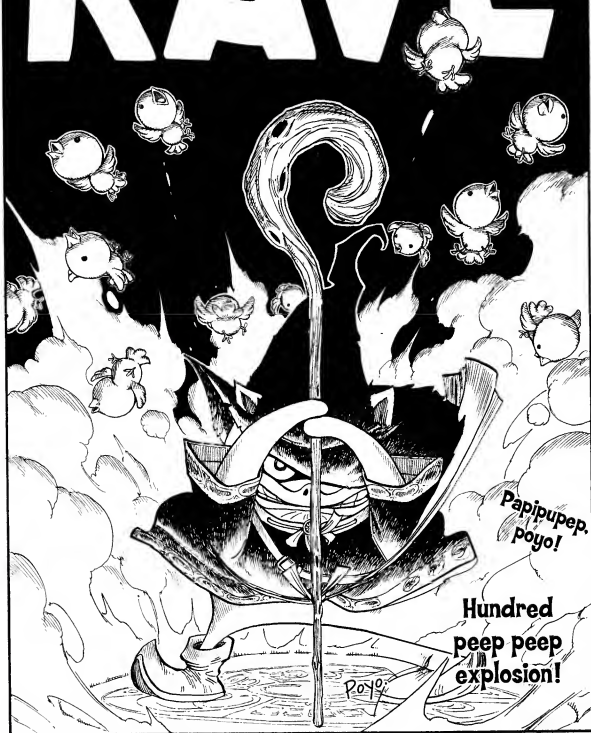




THE HOLY
BLADE,
RAVELT.



RAVE



ARE YOU
OKAY?!

MR.
MUSICA!

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

WHO ARE
YOU, BOY?!

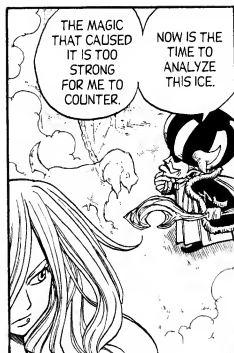
MR.
MUSICA!

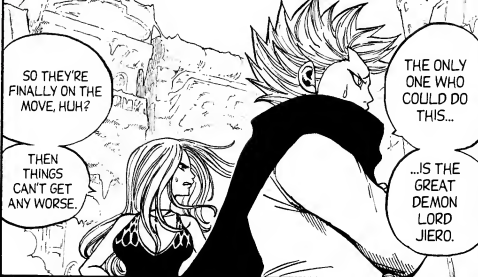
YAGH!

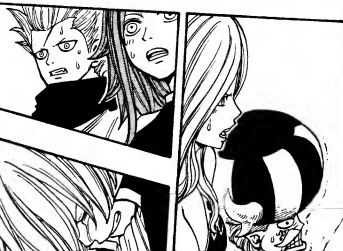
And when
did you
get in?

HAMRIO?

.....



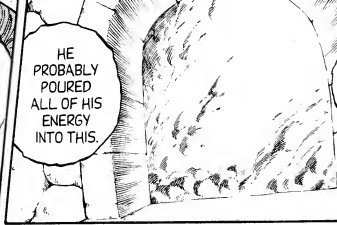








NO ONE
COULD FORGE
A GREATER
SWORD...
NOT EVEN I.



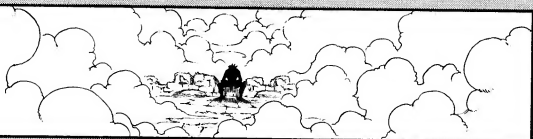
HE
PROBABLY
POURED
ALL OF HIS
ENERGY
INTO THIS.



...CAN
YOU FEEL
HAMRIO'S
SOUL IN IT?



MUSICA!



...I GUESS
I REALLY
DID USE
EVERYTHING
I HAD.

AH,
WHATEVER.
I DID WHAT
I HAD TO DO.

Phew.

HUH?

ISN'T
THIS
PATHE-
TIC?

THIS'S THE
END OF MY
BATTLE,
THEN.

WHERE
AM I?



YOU KNOW
THE REAL
BATTLE
HASN'T EVEN
STARTED
YET.



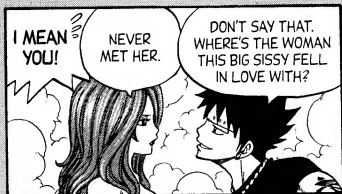
.....

WAS THAT
WHINING?
I DON'T WANT
YOUR LOVESICK
WHINING.

"OH,
REINA...!"



REINA...



I MEAN
YOU!

NEVER
MET HER.

DON'T SAY THAT.
WHERE'S THE WOMAN
THIS BIG SISSY FELL
IN LOVE WITH?



BLECH.
I DON'T LIKE
MY MEN SISSY,
THANK YOU.



WHOA...
IT'S BEEN A
WHILE SINCE
I LAST SAW
YOU, TOOTS.



YOU'RE
OBVIOUSLY
MISSING
SOMETHING,
MUSICA. SO LET
ME SPELL THIS
OUT FOR YOU.



GIMME
A BREAK
HERE.



HE WOULDN'T
GIVE UP, NO
MATTER WHAT
GOT IN HIS WAY.

THE MAN I
FELL IN LOVE
WITH HAS AN
UNBELIEVABLY
HARD WILL. HE'S
PRACTICALLY
DRIPPING
WITH LIFE.



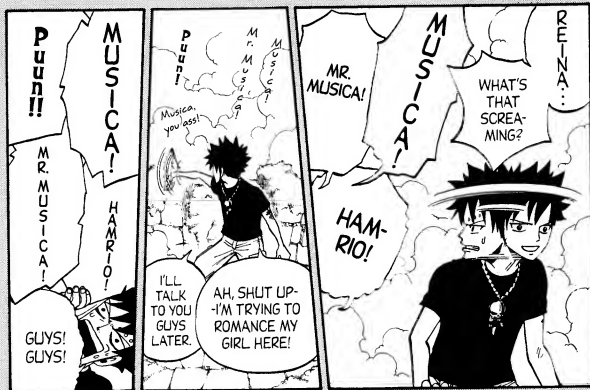
I DID TELL
HIM ONE
THING...



HEY!
WAIT!!

THEN IT'S TOO
SOON FOR
YOU TO COME
HERE. TRY
AGAIN LATER.

STILL
CONFUSED?





SHUT
THE
HELL
UP!



MR.
MUSICA!

MUSICA!

Puun!!



WHAT'S WRONG
WITH YOU GUYS?
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU
JUST SAW SOMEONE
COME BACK FROM
THE DEAD.

OH,
GOD OR
GODS...

...THANK
YOU FOR
RETURNING
HIM.

CRAP!
I FINALLY
DREAM
ABOUT A
GIRL, AND
NOW A
DUDE'S ALL
OVER ME!

MUSI-
CAAAA!



I USED
GRANDPA'S
BOOK...

WELL,
I HAD
HELP.

...AND
THERE
WAS A
PRETTY
AWESOME
FUTURE
SORCERER
ON MY
SIDE.

WE
HEARD. YOU
LITERALLY
GAVE IT ALL
YOU HAD,
RIGHT?!



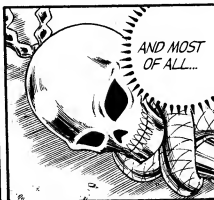
URGH.

WAIT A
MINUTE...
I HAD A
SWORD TO
GIVE YOU.



I MADE IT
FOR YOU
ALONE.

HERE. IT'S ALL
YOURS, HARU.



AND MOST
OF ALL...

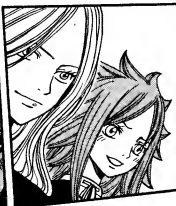


MAN...THIS
THING FEELS
POWERFUL.

AND RAVE'S
NOT EVEN
IN IT YET.

THIS BRINGS ME
BACK...IT'S LIKE
THAT DAY I HANDED
SHIBA HIS SWORD
SO LONG AGO.

ALTHOUGH
I THINK THE
BONDS I SEE
TODAY ARE EVEN
STRONGER THAN
OURS WERE.







HEH
HEH.

SWEET!

MARVELOUS!
THEN IT
EVEN HAS
ANTI-MAGIC
POWER?

IT'S
BADASS,
MUSICA!



RELAX...I'M
NOT GONNA
DIE TODAY.

THE LADY
ALREADY
LAUGHED AT
ME ONCE.



HAMRIO!



THANKS,
MUSICA. I'LL
TAKE GOOD
CARE OF
THIS BABY.



I'VE GOTTA
WATCH OVER
HARU...

...TIL HE
SAVES THE
WORLD
WITH THE
SWORD
I MADE HIM.

NOW
THERE'S
NO WAY
LUCIA CAN
BEAT ME!





WE'LL
HOLD YOU
TO THAT,
MAN.

RIGHT.

Puun!!



EVEN AT
MY AGE, I'M
TREMBLING.

OH, YOU,
TOO?



THE HOLY SWORD
RAVELT...OH, I SEE! IT'S
MADE UP FROM THE
WORD RAVE AND THE
WORD VELT, WHICH
MEANS WORLD!



HE'LL BE
UNSTOPPABLE
WITH THE
WORLD'S
GREATEST
SWORD!



HEH
HEH.

THE YOUNG
ONES HAVE
BECOME QUITE
A DEPENDABLE
TEAM.

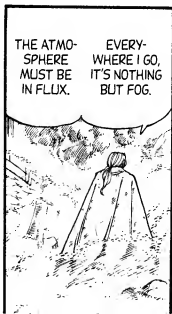
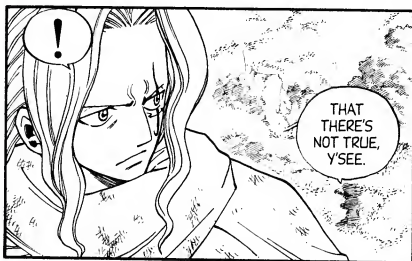
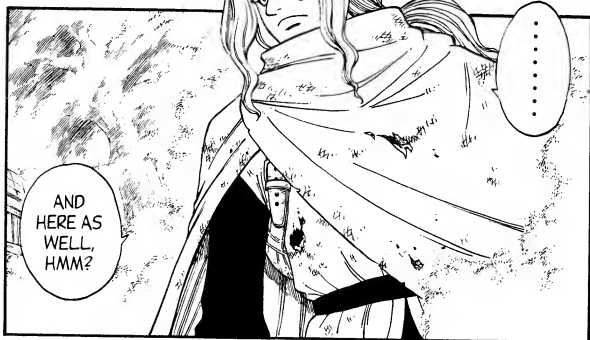
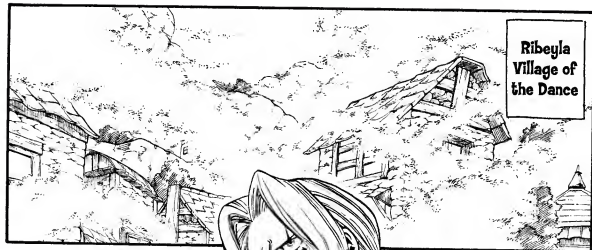


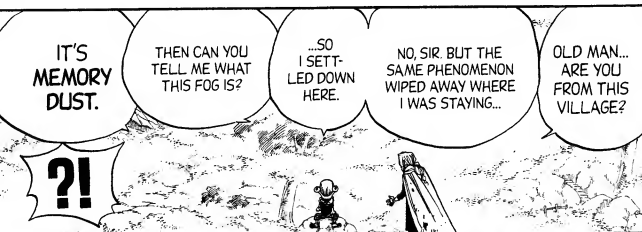
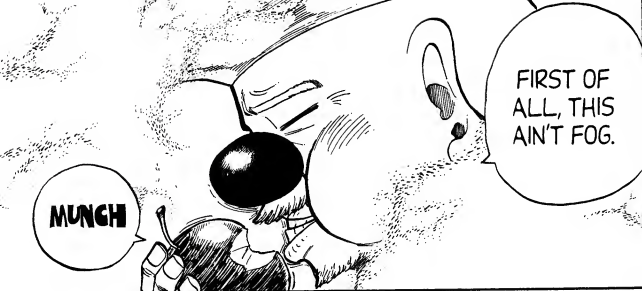
YEAH--I'M
WORRIED
ABOUT
ELIE.



LET'S
LEAVE.
THINGS ARE
TAKEN CARE
OF HERE.

Ribeyla
Village of the Dance







MAYBE THAT'LL
BE THE MOMENT
WHEN THE WORLD
REALLY ENDS.

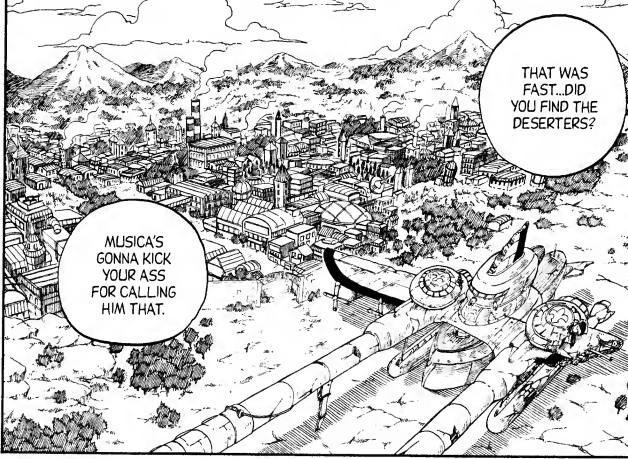
WHEN THIS
MEMORY DUST
SHROUDS THE
WHOLE PLANET,
WE'LL ALL
LOSE OUR OWN
MEMORIES.



THERE'S NOT
MUCH TIME
LEFT FOR
US, SONNY.

SO YOU MIGHT
AS WELL PRAY
TO THE FAINT
HOPE WE'VE
GOT LEFT.





MUSICA'S
GONNA KICK
YOUR ASS
FOR CALLING
HIM THAT.

THAT WAS
FAST...DID
YOU FIND THE
DESERTERS?

JUST WAIT'LL
YOU SEE WHAT
MUSICA WAS
REALLY UP TO

SHEESH...YOU
SOLDIERS.
LIGHTEN UP.

IT WAS
DESERTION IN
THE 11TH HOUR.
IT AFFECTS
MORALE
AROUND
HERE.

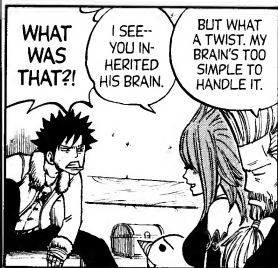
...AND SHE
HAS BEEN FOR
THREE
DAYS.

I'M
WORRIED
ABOUT
HER BODY
HOLDING
UP.

YES...

IS ELIE
STILL
WORKING
ON RAVE?







BUT I THINK
SHIBA
REALIZED
THE TRUTH
AT THE
VERY END.



...WAS A HAPPY
ONE, ALL
THINGS SAID
AND DONE.

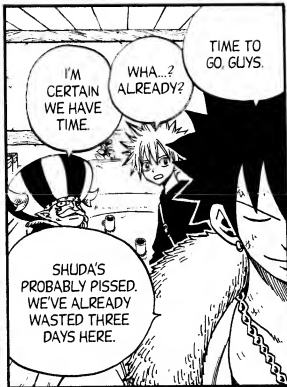
I THINK THAT
HIS LIFE, LIVING
WITH THAT
BELIEF...

MAYBE. HE DID
SAY THINGS I WAS
SURE HE'D ONLY
SAY TO RESHA.



BUT...

HURRY ON
ALONG-I
DON'T MIND.



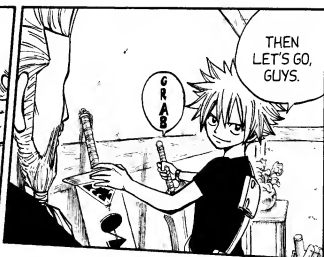
I'M
CERTAIN
WE HAVE
TIME.

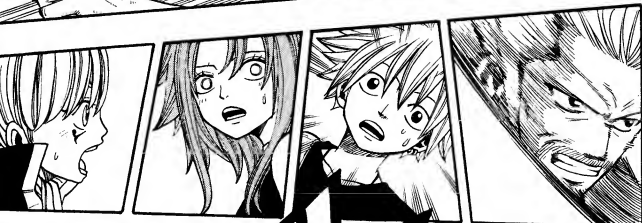
WHA...?
ALREADY?

TIME TO
GO, GUYS.

SHUDA'S
PROBABLY PISSED.
WE'VE ALREADY
WASTED THREE
DAYS HERE.









SHIBA'S
SWORD!



WHY THE
HELL DID YOU
WRECK SUCH
AN IMPORTANT
SWORD AS
A TEST?!



RAVELT.

IT'S
INDEED
A FINE
BLADE.



BUT...YOU
AND SHIBA
HAD SO MANY
MEMORIES IN
THAT SWORD.



IT WAS HELD
CAPTIVE BY
THE OLD ERA.

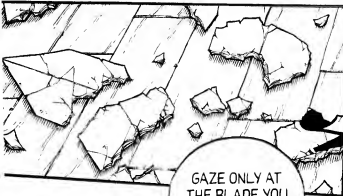


LET THE
BLADE'S
SOUL REST
WITH SHIBA
IN HEAVEN.



AND NO
ONE CAN
DESTROY
THOSE.

MY
MEMORIES
ARE IN MY
HEART.



GAZE ONLY AT
THE BLADE YOU
NOW HOLD IN
YOUR HANDS.



HARU...

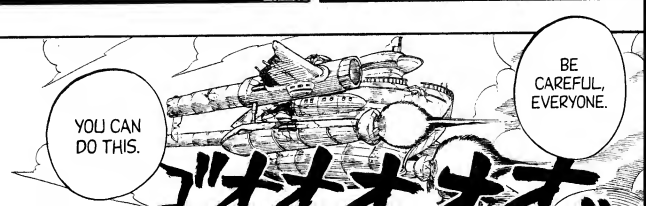


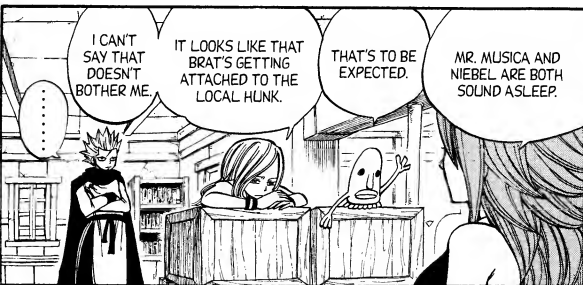
WAGER
YOUR ENTIRE
SOUL ON
THAT BLADE
ALONE!

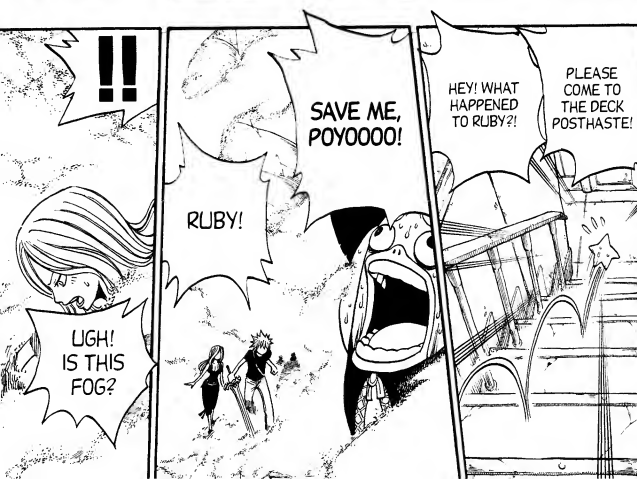
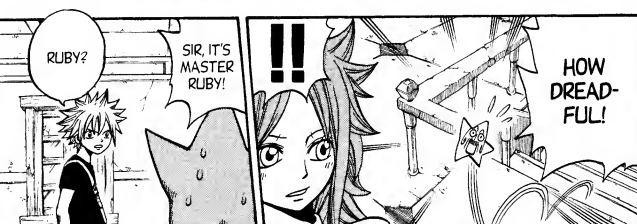


R I G H T .

I'LL USE IT
TO FIGHT
ENOUGH
FOR SHIBA
AND ME.







ヒョオオオオオ

WHOA!



IF IT IS FOG,
IT'S EVERY-
WHERE!



POYO...!



KEEP IT
TOGETHER,
MAN!

POYO...!



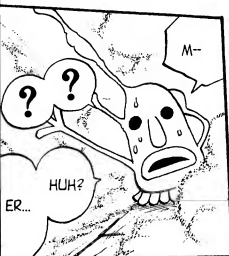
S-SOMETHING'S
BEING SUCKED
OUT OF ME,
POYO!

RUBY!



EASIER SAID
THAN DONE!

TRY TO KEEP
YOUR MIND
BLANK!



MASTER RUBY, CLEAR
YOUR HEAD! PLEASE
STOP THINKING!

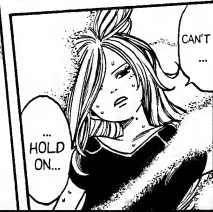
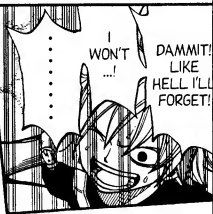
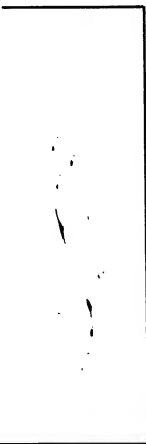
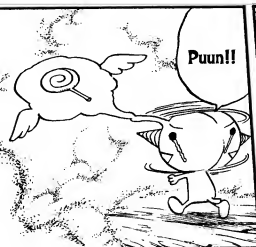
I CAN'T, POYO!
NOT WITH SOME
WEIRD JELLY
TALKING TO
ME, POYO!



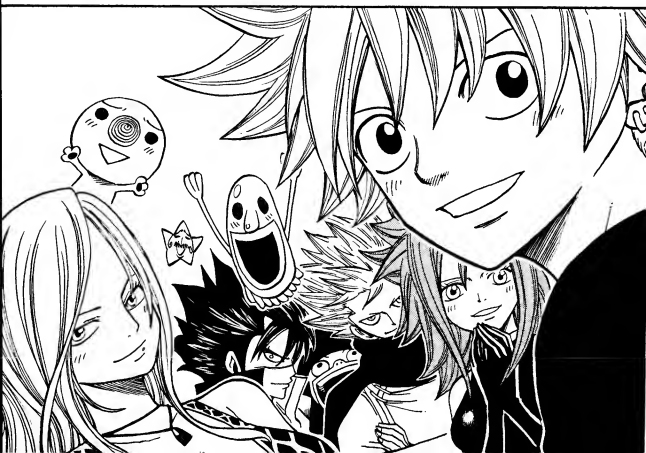
THE
KING
OF
OBLI-
VION...



TO WIPE
EVERY-
THING
FROM...







RAVE

Industry
exclusive!

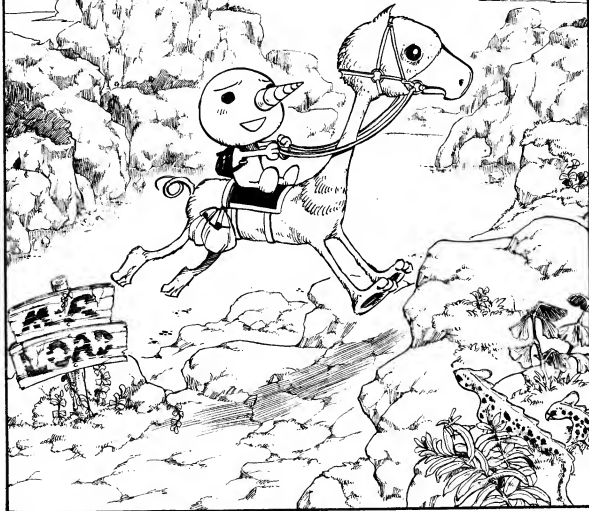
SHOCKINGLY EXHILARATED
JUST FROM BEING PETTED!

Notice to Users ♡

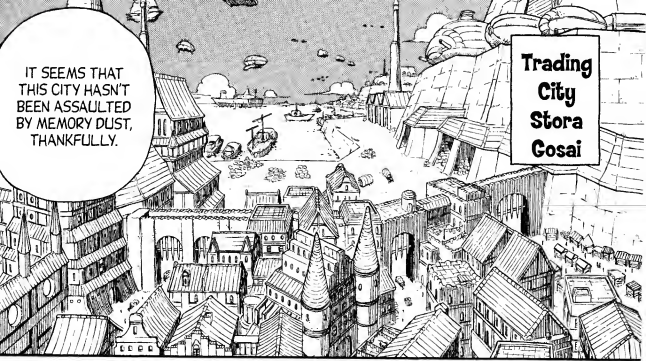
- THIS DOG DOES NOT TALK
- THIS DOG CANNOT CARRY ANYTHING
- ABSOLUTELY NO COMPLAINTS ACCEPTED
- PLEASE PET GENTLY
- PLEASE DO NOT GIVE IT ALCOHOL
- LOVES THE RAIN
- PLEASE DO NOT BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE SHAKING¹

Puppy

Happy and Convenient ♡



RAVE:271 ⊕ PURE HEARTS, PASSING EACH OTHER BY ♡



IT SEEMS THAT
THIS CITY HASN'T
BEEN ASSAULTED
BY MEMORY DUST,
THANKFULLY.

**Trading
City
Stora
Gosai**



TOMORROW,
WE'LL RAID
LUCIA'S PLACE.

WE CAN'T WAIT
FOR THE SHIP TO
GET REPAIRED.

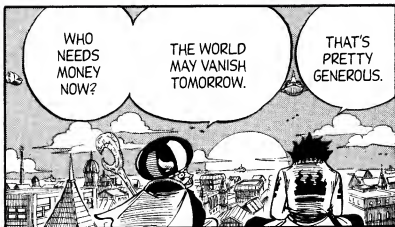


IT'S ONLY
A MATTER
OF TIME.



WE'VE
BOUGHT
SOMETHING
NEW.

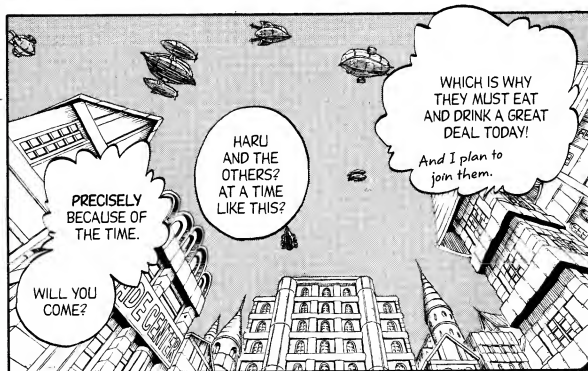
I KNOW
THAT. WE'RE
ABANDONING THE
AIR MILDIAN.



WHO
NEEDS
MONEY
NOW?

THE WORLD
MAY VANISH
TOMORROW.

THAT'S
PRETTY
GENEROUS.



PRECISELY
BECAUSE OF
THE TIME.

WILL YOU
COME?

HARU
AND THE
OTHERS?
AT A TIME
LIKE THIS?

WHICH IS WHY
THEY MUST EAT
AND DRINK A GREAT
DEAL TODAY!

And I plan to
join them.



COME IF YOU
CHANGE YOUR
MIND! YOU CAN
SEE THE RED-
ROOFED SHOP
FROM HERE.



I'LL PASS.
I DON'T
LIKE NOISY
PLACES.



HARU.



NEW
RAVE?
CHECK
AGAIN!

NEW
SWORD?
CHECK!

WE'VE GOT
EVERYTHING
WE NEED!

NOW THE LAST
THING WE'VE
GOTTA DO TO
GET READY FOR
TOMORROW'S
BATTLE...

Kick &
Punch

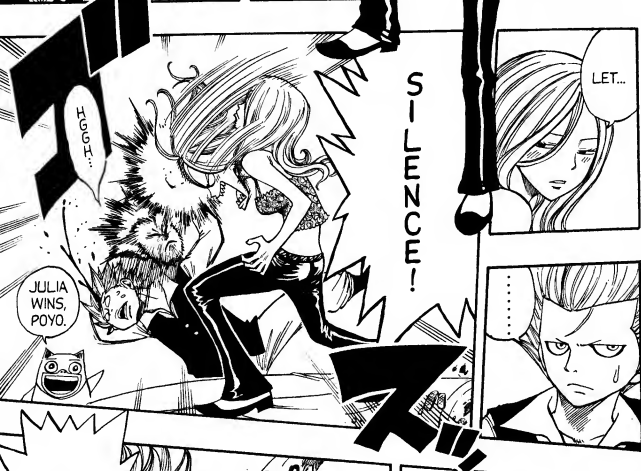
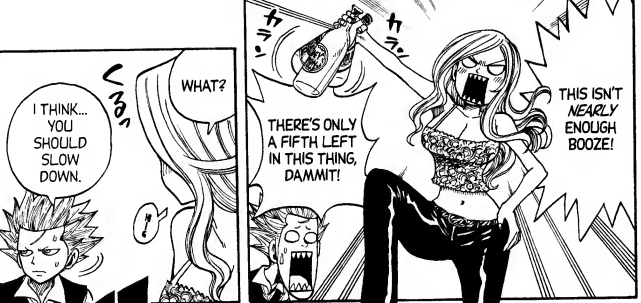
AND MAKE
SOME NOISE,
GUYS!

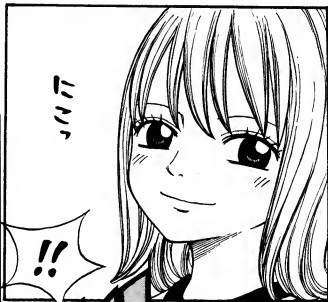
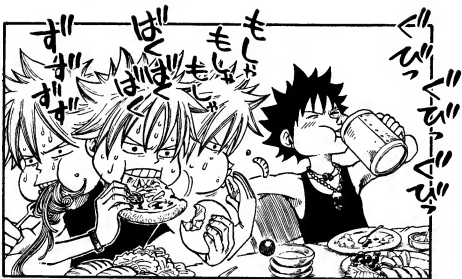
...IS
PARTY!

Wooo!

BRING
ON THE
GRUB!









SO EVERYONE'S
PARTYING LIKE
IT MIGHT BE
THEIR LAST
NIGHT ALIVE.



LOOK. NO
ONE'S SAYING
IT, BUT...

...THE WORLD
MIGHT END
TOMORROW.



YOU GET ALL FLUSHED
FROM JUST LOOKING. YOU
A SAINT OR SOMETHIN'?

WHAT
WAS
THAT
FOR?!



DON'T BE SUCH A
DOWNER. THE REASON
WE'RE FIGHTING
TOMORROW...

...IS SO TONIGHT'S
NOT OUR LAST
NIGHT!

WHATEVER YOU
WANNA TELL
HER, TELL HER
NOW--WHILE
YOU HAVE THE
CHANCE.



THE SAME
GOES FOR
YOU.

?



Love



WHERE
IS YOUR
BRAIN?!

TALK
TO HER
ABOUT
WHAT?

WELL, WHATEVER.
I'M STILL SICK
OF YOUR PINING,
SO GO TALK TO
HER ANYWAY!



WHY SHOULD I?

OR YOU COULD KISS HIM HARD WHILE YOU'RE DRUNK.



GROPE?

IF YOU LOVE HARU, AT LEAST LET HIM GET IN A GOOD GROPE.

EW.



IF WE DON'T DO THIS, YOU'LL NEVER GET ANYWHERE.

WE'VE HAD IT WITH WATCHING YOU TWO PLAY GOOEY LOVE-EYES ALL THE TIME.

YOU GET ME?



WHO THE HECK DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?!

YEAH, THIS IS MUSICA. BUT GETTING A CONFESSION FROM THIS END'S LIKE PULLING TEETH.

MUSICA? THIS IS JULIA. ELIE'S PREP IS COMPLETE.

Over-

BING



LOOK, IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!

BE A MAN AND MAKE A MOVE, HARU.

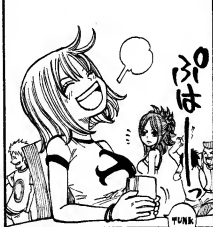
I'M SURE ELIE'S WAITING FOR IT.

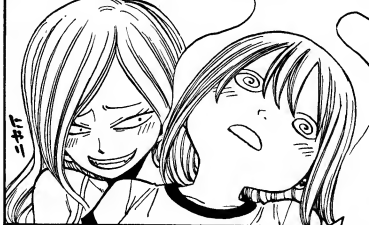
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THAT'S JUST THE BOOZE TALKING!

UH... ISN'T IT?

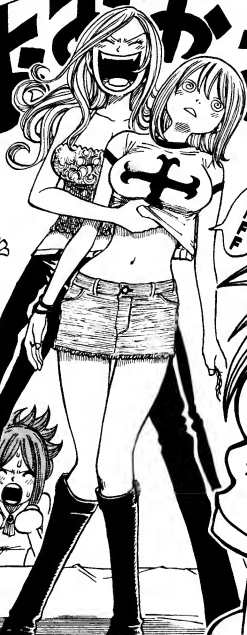




ELIE'S ABOUT TO SHOW A LITTLE SKIN!

GENTLE-
MEN! YOUR
ATTENTION,
PLEASE!

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STOP, MISS
JULIA! YOU'RE
DRUNK OUT OF
YOUR MIND!

WAAAAAGH!



STOP IT!
DON'T!

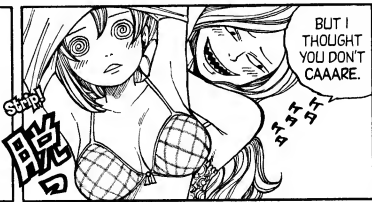


Yaaaaa

MANA-
GER



NO!



Strip!

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BUT I
THOUGHT
YOU DON'T
CAAAARE.



I GIVE UP. I DO
LOVE ELIE.

SO PLEASE,
JUST...STOP
DOING THIS
TO HER.



Yowza!

sweet!

who!

FINE!
I GET IT,
I GET IT!

SHFF

YOU DON'T
REALLY NEED
THIS SKIRT. DO
YOU, ELIE?

G U Y S !

TELL HER
YOURSELF.

オオ-

AND JUST
BECAUSE HER
MAN CAN'T
BE HONEST
WITH HER.

EXPOSING
HERSELF
BEFORE
THE PUBLIC
LIKE THIS.

Ooooooh ♡

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AWW...
POOR,
POOR
ELIE.

I'LL TELL
HER! JUST
STOP!





**NOT THE
SAME!**

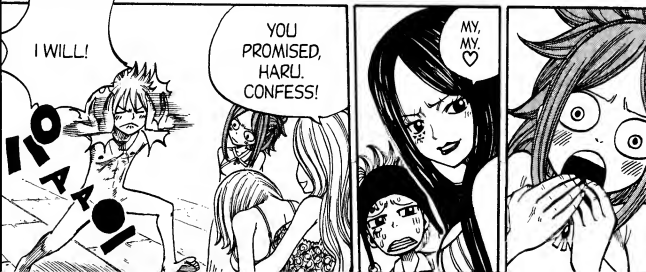
**YOU WANT
NUDITY
THAT BAD,
I'LL GIVE
YA NUDITY!**

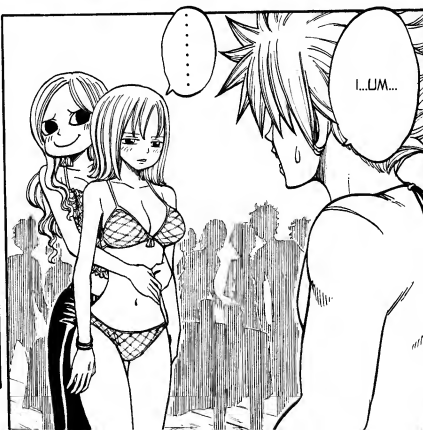
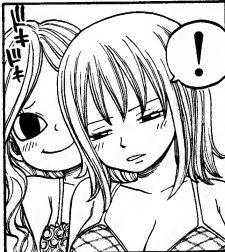
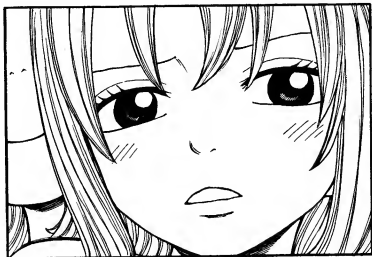


I WILL!

**YOU
PROMISED,
HARU.
CONFESS!**

**MY,
MY.
♡**





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EXTRA PAGES



The Ten Powers Sword #6

10. Holy Blade/Ravelt

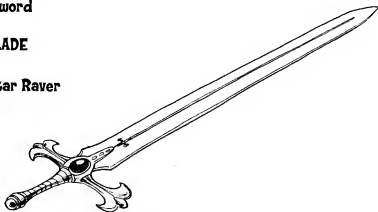


AS EXPLAINED IN THIS VOLUME, THE NAME IS FROM THE WORDS RAVE AND VELT. "VELT" MEANS "WORLD" IN GERMAN. ITS POWER IS THE POWER TO DISPEL, TO CONQUER ANY EVIL--THE MIGHTIEST OF BLADES. WITH IT, WE'VE FINALLY GOTTEN TO TEN BLADES! THOUGH SOME OF THEM AREN'T USED IN THIS SERIES ANYMORE (^_^). INCIDENTALLY, THE TENTH BLADE SHIBA USED FIFTY YEARS EARLIER IS LISTED BELOW.

Ten Powers Sword

OLD TENTH BLADE

Holy Blade/Star Raver



NOT THAT IT CAME OUT IN THIS SERIES. (^_^)

レ イ ヴ ゼロ ゼロ キュー エー
RAVEOOQA

Q. IT'S KINDA LATE TO ASK THIS NOW BUT...WHAT DOES THE "OO" IN RAVEOOQA MEAN? AND DON'T SAY "IT MEANS NOTHING."

(NAKIMARU, KUMAMOTO PREFECTURE)

A. REALLY?! I CAN'T?! (^_^) WITHIN RAVE MASTER, THE YEAR NUMBERS ARE "0015" AND "0067" AND STUFF. SO I ADDED THE LETTERS TO "OO" TO MAKE OOQA. IT'S THE TRUTH!

Q. WHY DID BOI BOI TURN INTO RUBY'S HAT?

(TAMIKO[STAR], KAGOSHIMA PREFECTURE)

A. ACTUALLY...HE DIDN'T BECOME RUBY'S HAT-HE ATTACHED HIMSELF TO IT. HE SKILLFULLY INFILTRATED AND IS STREAMING INFORMATION TO DC.

Q. IN THE MAGAZINE'S WEEKLY TABLE OF CONTENTS COMMENTS, YOU ALWAYS WRITE HOW YOU FELT WATCHING A RECENT MOVIE, MASHIMA-SENSEI. RIGHT? PLEASE WATCH FEWER MOVIES AND DRAW YOUR MANGA PROPERLY.

(AKEMI-SAMA, TOKYO)

A. THAT'S HARSH! SORRY. I DIDN'T MEAN IT LIKE THAT (^_^). HEY, I'M DRAWING MANGA PROPERLY HERE! EVERY DAY. YES, I'M PLAYING GAMES, WATCHING TV, READING BOOKS, USING THE JOHN, BUT I'M DRAWING MANGA, TOO...ONCE IN A WHILE. AH HA HA! JUST KIDDING. YOU KNOW, THOUGH, I THINK HAVING OUTSIDE "ART" AND "RELAXATION" ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO MANGA-KA. THAT WAY, WE CAN CONTEMPLATE ON WHAT MAKES AN INTERESTING WORK INTERESTING, GET FLASHES OF INSPIRATION, ETC. ETC. SO...FORGIVE ME.♡

Introducing the staff of Rave Master!

Our most reliable staffer! Manga ☆ Rock-san.

Nakamura-kun, the Chief. (A.K.A. Sir)
Main background artist

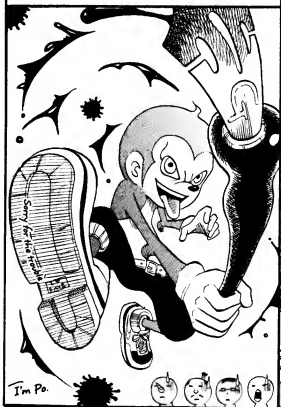


DUDES! THIS TIME I'LL TELL YOU A SECRET I KNOW ABOUT MASHIMA-SAN. THE TRUTH IS, HE'S REALLY BAD WITH SPICY THINGS! ...HOWEVER! HE PUTS TABASCO ON HIS KNEE! I MEAN, WOW...THAT'S OUR MASHIMA-SENSEI! I'M SO HONORED TO HELP SUCH A GREAT MANGA-KA WITH HIS WORK! (BY THE WAY, I LOVE SPICY THINGS.)



CAUGHT ON CAMERA, PREFERS WHITE PEACHES & CHARCOAL. POPULATION 28,290 (AS OF 1999).

NAKAJIMA KOUJI.
INHABITS AREAS OF MINIMAL POPULATION. APPROX. HEIGHT: 150 CM (4'11"). APPROX. WEIGHT: 50 KG (110 LBS). DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT KYUUSHU. INTRODUCED TO KANTOU REGION IN HEISEI YEAR 9 (1997) VIA WHALING SHIP. NOCTURNAL ACTIVITY CYCLE; SUCKS TREE SAP, ETC.

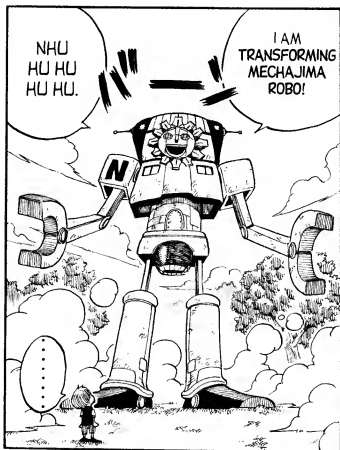
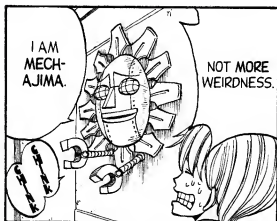


Our newest staff member, Poda-kun! (A.K.A. Pose)
Good luck learning the job at a breakneck speed!



The crimson point of the Rave Master staff, Miki-chan! She's jealous of the young...

Levin Minds the House #26 -- Mechajima. At Your Service!



AFTERWORDS

PERAPERA SAUCE! (NEW WORDS OF GREETING.)

MASHIMA HERE, HOVERING ABOUT WITH A FAINT WHIFF OF EVIL. THIS IS PRETTY RANDOM, BUT DO YOU REMEMBER MY "PSHAH!" GREETING IN VOL. 2'S AFTERWORD? VOL. 12 HAD "GINYA!" AND VOL. 22 HAD "OOGA!" (THOUGH THAT'S NOT A GREETING). THAT'S RIGHT! IN EVERY AFTERWORD OF A VOLUME ENDING WITH "2," I SUDDENLY FELT LIKE GREETING WITH SOME KIND OF WEIRD WORD. I DID INDEED. SO FOR VOL. 32, IT'S PERAPERA SAUCE! ...ER, SORRY, I DON'T ACTUALLY KNOW WHAT IT MEANS (^_^).

ANYWAY, THIS TIME WE FINALLY GOT ANOTHER PLOT POINT WHERE MUSICA DOES SOMETHING. I DIDN'T WANNA DO IT FROM WAY BACK OR ANYTHING. THE SILVER BONDS MIXING TOGETHER THING WAS A LAST-MINUTE DECISION, BUT IT'D BEEN SO LONG SINCE I'D DRAWN REINA, IT WAS FUN HAVING ANOTHER GO. YES, IT WAS FUN...AND SPEAKING OF WHICH, THE FINAL GET-TOGETHER STORY. I FELT REALLY NOSTALGIC AS I DREW THAT OUT...IT FEELS LIKE IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE THERE WAS A PLOT POINT MADE OF PURE FUN. I'VE WRITTEN ABOUT THIS BEFORE, BUT I STARTED OUT LOVING DRAWING EASY-GOING MANGA LIKE CHAPTER 271. RAVE MASTER IS...KINDA HEAVY, HUH? (^_^) ACK! THERE, I SAID IT! BUT Y'KNOW...THANKS TO DRAWING RAVE MASTER, I CAN THINK, "HEY! I CAN DRAW SERIOUS STORIES TOO, HUH?!" I THINK THAT'S A PRETTY BIG ACCOMPLISHMENT. A LOT MORE RAVE MASTER FANS LOVE THE SERIOUS SCENES THAN I EXPECTED, TOO. I THINK I NEED TO PUT GAGS IN ONCE IN A WHILE! YOU KNOW, LIKE JUST NOW! I THINK BALANCE IN ALL THINGS IS GOOD (^_^). I HAVE A FEELING MY NEXT WORK WON'T BE A SAVE-THE-WORLD STORY. PERA PERA SAUCE!

Hiro
MASHIMA